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BOMBAY: FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 1932.

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"OFFENSIVE" AGAINST CONGRESSMEN IN CITY.

55 PERSONS ARRESTED ON THURSDAY.

Crowds Chased And Charged: 20 Injured.

HUNT FOR TRICOLOUR FLAGS.

Repeated lathi charges were resorted to by the police in dispersing a good number of processions and public meetings held in Bombay on Thursday evening, in defiance of the Chief Presidency Magistrate's order prohibiting Congress demonstrations in the city.

TOLL OF THE DAY.

In many cases, the police only brandished their lathies and chased away crowds who scattered and ran helter skelter. This helped to keep down the total casualties to 20 injured. Of these, only three received serious injuries.

The movement of the police vans carrying the yellow-turbaned sepoy armed with lathies and armed police from one police station to another threw a wide area in Girgaum and Chowpaty in a state of excitement.

POLICE GO FOR FLAGS.

For nearly four hours, the police were kept busy chasing the crowds, arresting men, and capturing national flags. The day's events culminated in over 55 arrests at various places as follows: 21 men arrested at Azad Maidan for leading a number of processions. The arrests included 3 members of the 5th Emergency Council.

9 men arrested at the Girgaum Back Road by Maharabadi Police also for taking part in processions.

25 men arrested at Chowpaty for holding a public meeting, and 8 men and 2 women arrested at Parel also for attending a Congress meeting.

THEY HOLD THEIR FLAGS.

The arrests included old men, youths and boys who defiantly waved national flags and offered themselves for arrest. In many cases, they refused to part with their flags, until they were pinned to the ground and the flag snatched away by the police.

A large police force was mobilised at the Esplanade Police Station early in the afternoon, in anticipation of a Congress procession starting from the Azad Maidan. Mr. Coghlan, Deputy Commissioner of Police and Inspector Bird were present. Exactly at 4-30 p.m., a procession of over a hundred people started from the Azad Maidan and marched along the Cruikshank Road led by two persons carrying national flags. The procession was stopped when it reached the Esplanade Police Station, and 8 persons, including the flag bearers, were put under arrest. The police force which was till then stationed in the compound of the court then rushed into the Esplanade Maidan with a view to disperse the crowds.

PROCESSION SUCCEEDS PROCESSION.

No sooner were the leaders of the first procession arrested, than another procession was formed in the maidan. This time the procession was a small one. Carrying national flag the processionists marched as far as the Esplanade Police Station when they were interrupted by the police party. Two more men were arrested and flags carried by them were removed. A large crowd of demonstrators collected in front of the Esplanade Police Station and were chased away several times. The total number arrests at the Azad Maidan reached 21.

EMERGENCY COUNCIL ARRESTED.

The last batch to be arrested was the 5th Emergency Council which entirely consisted of Muslims. Two of the members appeared in the Maidan clad in the uniforms of the "Red Shirts" of the Frontier. The President of the Emergency Council, Sir Hakim Ahmad Ikrami who led the procession and Messrs. Peer Mahomed Pathan and Fakir Mahomed Pathan members of the Council, were also then put under arrest and marched to the Esplanade lock-up.

ANOTHER PROCESSION.

While the police were busy making arrests in front of the Esplanade Police Station, some persons formed themselves into a procession at the Dhoobi Talao end of the Maidan and marched towards Chowpaty, shouting slogans and waving national flags. The procession was stopped at the Girgaum Back Road by the Maharabadi Police Station and 9 arrests were made.

AT CHOWPATY.

The scene of police activities then shifted to Chowpaty where a huge crowd had gathered. Two small processions, one from Bhul-

ATTEMPT TO HAUL DOWN UNION JACK.

Congress House Incident VOLUNTEER SUSTAINS FRACTURE OF LEG.

Thursday 12 Midnight. Babu Dakoo, a Congress volunteer, attempted on Thursday night to haul down the Union Jack flying on the Congress House but in doing so he slipped down the roof and sustained a fracture of one of his legs. He was put under arrest and taken to J. J. Hospital.

It appears that the volunteer managed to creep from the backyard of the Congress House and went up the terrace. As he was removing the Union Jack, the police sentry noticed him and raised an alarm. In his hurry to escape the Congress volunteer missed his footing and fell down sustaining injuries.

DESHABANDHU'S SISTER GAGGED.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 14. Srimati Urmila Devi, sister of the late Mr. C. R. Das has been served with a notice prohibiting her from taking part in meetings, processions and demonstrations or in any way furthering or helping the civil disobedience movement. —A.P.

ARRESTS CALORE IN BENGAL.

Bura Bazaar Pickets Sentenced

CALCUTTA, Jan. 14. Suhadini Debi who along with others alleged to be Chittagong raiders was arrested following the Chanderdagar raid and subsequently discharged was again arrested to-day under the Bengal Ordinance. Four young men were arrested to-day following searches at several places in Calcutta, in connection with the recent seizure of arms and ammunition in North and Central Calcutta.

Yesterday's arrests in the movement in connection with the civil disobedience total 34. Five volunteers were sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment each for picketing a liquor shop at Radha Bazar.

Two were arrested for picketing at Bura Bazar, in defiance of the police Commissioner's order. One volunteer was sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment for distributing a leaflet entitled Satyagraha Sambad. —A.P.

65 ARRESTS IN LUCKNOW.

LUCKNOW, Jan. 14. To-day's arrests number about 65 including Qwaza Ahmad Khan, Emergency Officer of the local Congress Committee and two women. Some of these arrests were made for defying order under Section 144. —A.P.

HOARE RATTLES SWORD.

"We Intend To Govern."

LONDON, Jan. 14. Sir S. Hoare addressing the journalists at the India Office said that the action taken to deal with the situation in India had been successful. He hoped that the Indian friends would see that the Government were determined to govern and hoped that they would like them the better for it. "As long as we are responsible for India, we intend to govern."

PREPARED FOR FIGHT, BUT— He did not wish to see empty chairs at the Round Table Conference and hoped that they would soon be refilled.

"For the moment, the battle has been thrust upon us. If we fight of course, we shall win, but I regard methods of that kind as out of date." We want internal peace in India, as much as international peace. We will be de-

WAR ON NATIONAL FLAGS.

Jail For Non-Removal BULSAR PRESIDENT HAULS DOWN.

SURAT, Jan. 14. The Bulsar Correspondent of the local daily "Gujarat" in a message says that in accordance with the police orders, houseowners have removed the national flags which were flying on their houses.

The Police served a similar notice on the Bulsar Municipal President to remove the tricolour hoisted on the Municipal building, and the order was carried out.

PROMPTLY DEALT WITH.

Two persons who refused to remove the national flags from their premises were immediately arrested and placed before the Magistrate who convicted and sentenced one of them to six months' rigorous imprisonment and fine of Rs. 250, in default to suffer one month's imprisonment, and the other to six months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 50, in default to suffer a further term of imprisonment for a month. The police recovered the flags immediately after the judgment was pronounced.

One Chhaganlal Morariji who took part in a procession at Unti in honour of Mahatma Gandhi's arrest was arrested and convicted and sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment and fine of Rs. 25, in default to suffer a further period of imprisonment for a month.

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The first and second dictators of Oland Taluka, Surat, District, Manohar Mehta, and Kalubhai Khushabhai were yesterday convicted and sentenced each to six months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 25, in default to suffer a further period of imprisonment for a month.

Two more persons arrested for carrying on Congress propaganda were sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 50. —A.P.

BENGAL FOLLOWS BOMBAY.

Warning To Editors.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 14. It is understood that the Bengal Government are informing Editors of all the provincial papers that the publication of photographs of persons participating in any way in the Civil Disobedience Movement comes under the provisions of the Emergency Powers Ordinance and the Criminal Law Amendment Act. It is anticipated that a warning is also being issued regarding certain other news connected with the present political situation. —A.P.



Pt. Malaviya who arrived in Bombay on Thursday evening.

STARTING AT SHORT NOTICE.

British Delegates On Their Mission

HOPE TO GO BACK BEFORE HOT WEATHER.

LONDON, Jan. 14. British members of the Indian Franchise, Finance and States Committee, Messrs. Sir James Bennett, who is detained by illness left to-day by P. and O. Special to Madras. The Premier, Mr. Baldwin, Sir Samuel Hoare, Lord Sankey, Sir John Simon, Sir John Gilmour, Sir Henry Betterson, Sir Donald Maclean and representatives of other Cabinet members were present to bid farewell. Sir Robert Hamilton, Sir Bhupen Mitra, Sir Hubert Carr and also R. E. A. Carter and Mr. Montagu were among the large gathering present on the platform of the Victoria Station which cheered as the train steamed out.

UNPRECEDENTED MISSION.

Lord Lothian, before leaving said that the members of the Franchise Committee were looking forward to co-operating with their Indian colleagues in examining the problem which lay at the very root of responsible Government. The formulation of the Franchise proposals for the country with three hundred and fifty millions was a clearly very difficult and, he thought, unprecedented. They had been at hard work in getting ready to start at such short notice, but the Government insisted that they should not delay in continuing the work outlined at the Round Table Conference. He added that the Franchise Committee expected strenuous work if they in conjunction with the Provincial Committees were to take evidence in every Province before the hot weather.

AMBEDKAR ALSO COMING.

Rt. Hon. J. C. Q. Davidson said that they were leaving with full hope, and they were determined to do their utmost to carry out their task. He added that they did not expect to return before May.

Dr. Ambedkar is also travelling by S. S. "Mooltan" - Reuter.

BRITISH DELEGATES LEAVE FOR INDIA.

LONDON, Jan. 14. The main party of delegates to the Round Table Conference left to-day "enroute" to Madras. They were seen off at the Victoria Station by Mr. Montagu, Colonel Patterson, Major Graham Pole and others. —Reuter.

THANKS FOR YOUR BARRAGE.

LONDON, Jan. 14. Sir Samuel Hoare has telegraphed to Ramsay Lloyd "Best congratulations on the opening of the Barrage so largely due to your Energy and Vision." —Reuter.

PANDIT MALAVIYA DISTRESSED ABOUT POLITICAL SITUATION IN INDIA.

SAYS REPRESSION IS NO REMEDY.

WHAT HE WIRED TO SECRETARY OF STATE AND PREMIER.

"The Government will have to give up their present repressive policy and that too not before long", was the prophesy made by Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya, a delegate to the R. T. C., who returned home on Thursday by the S. S. "Acquila". In a statement to the press Panditji declared that he was distressed at the situation in India. He had telegraphed to the British Premier, the Secretary of State for India and the Viceroy while he was on board the steamer that in his opinion the points in dispute between the Congress and the Government were "pre-eminently" capable of settlement by negotiation.

A large crowd greeted Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya at the Alexandra Dock on his arrival by the Lloyd Triestino's steamer S. S. "Acquila" on Thursday afternoon. When the ship was sighted in the harbour Panditji was seen standing on the deck with his son Sri Govind Malaviya. The visitors who had gathered on the Wharf cheered him and raised the usual national slogans which Panditji acknowledged with a smile and a bow.

PRESSMEN GREET MALAVIYA.

The first to greet Panditji on board the ship were a group of pressmen who were followed by a number of his friends and admirers who profusely garlanded him. Among them were Raja Bahadur Govindlal Shrivastava and a representative of the firm of Messrs. Birla Brothers.

PANDITJI DISTRESSED.

In a statement to the pressmen Panditji said that he was distressed at the situation in India. He had telegraphed on January 2 from board the steamer to the Prime Minister, the Secretary of State and the Viceroy that the matters in dispute between the Congress and the Government were pre-eminently capable of settlement by negotiation and that the Viceroy should invite Mahatma Gandhi's co-operation to settle those differences and not drive him to revive the Civil Disobedience movement by refusing to discuss matters with him.

JAYAKAR CONFERS WITH PANDITJI.

Pandit Malaviya drove from the Mole to Birla House on Napean Sea Road, with his sons where he is staying. He spent a very busy evening receiving numerous friends and visitors some of whom had long talks with him. Among them was Mr. M. R. Jayakar who was closeted with Panditji for a considerably long time and left Birla House late in the evening.

PANDITJI'S PROGRAMME IS NOT YET SETTLED.

Pandit Malaviya's programme is not yet settled but it is likely that his stay in the city will be extended by a day or two. In spite of repeated requests Pandit Malaviya refused any further interview to the press but he promised to issue a statement as soon as he had studied the situation and acquainted himself with the latest developments.

WALK-OUT IN VYAPARI Mahamandal Meeting.

PROTEST AGAINST "HALF-HEARTED" RESOLUTION.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Bombay Vyapari Mahamandal was held on Thursday afternoon at the Bullion Exchange Building to consider the present political situation in the country. A large number of merchants, including several prominent businessmen attended the meeting at which Mr. Chumalil B. Mehta presided.

DOOR BANGED AGAINST PRESSMEN.

Contrary to the practice followed by the Cotton Brokers Association at a similar meeting held a few days back, this meeting was not open to the press and some pressmen who sought admission were turned out.

It is understood that the President made a lengthy speech in the beginning in which he reviewed the present situation and then placed before the house a resolution for its approval. Contrary to the resolution passed by the Cotton Brokers Association in this resolution, there was no reference to the attitude that the mercantile community should adopt in the present state of national emergency. The resolution was merely in the nature of pious platitudes suggesting that the merchants should use Khaddar and Swadeshi and try to push forward the Swadeshi movement in respect of Banking Insurance etc.

A WALK OUT.

Evidently this half-hearted and mild resolution brought forward by the president did not satisfy the members present and several of them raised a voice of dissent. Mr. Ramchandrabhai of the Marwari Chamber took objection to the resolution and in order to express his disagreement left the meeting.

Among others who expressed their dissatisfaction with the proposed resolution were Messrs. Ramchandra Iyer and J. C. Setalvad. After a heated debate for over a couple of hours it was decided to form a committee of eleven members to draft fresh resolutions with the help of lawyers if necessary and in the meanwhile to adjourn the meeting.

The proposal for appointing a committee was accepted and the meeting was adjourned till Thursday next.

It is understood that the Marwari Chamber of Merchants is holding a meeting on Sunday to consider the present political situation in the country.

Black-Flag Processions For Viceroy's Visit.

(From A Correspondent.)

HYDERABAD, Jan. 13. Total arrests in Sind upto yesterday came up to 712. Owing to the Viceroy's arrival for opening Sukkur Barrage, hartals and black flag processions were arranged in Karachi, Hyderabad, Sukkur and several other places. Seth Jashanwal and Bahramul "Dictator" of Sukkur were arrested yesterday.

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BOMBAY CITY AND SUBURBS.

TO-DAY.
Sydenham College of Commerce and Economics, 16th College Day, SAT. RDAY, Jan. 15.
S.S. "Rawalpindi" with homeward mails sails at 1 p.m.
Bombay Races: Water Meeting, Eleventh Day.
MONDAY, Jan. 15.
Tariff Board, Old Customs House, 11 a.m.
Municipal Corporation, 3-40 p.m.
Welfare of India League, Lecture by Prof. Edward Thomson, Municipal Corporation Hall, 6-15 p.m.

TO-DAY'S INDIAN RADIO PROGRAMME:—12 noon Selection of Gramophone Records; 7 p.m. Instrumental Music by G. P. Soman (Dilruba) and Narayan Iyer (Violin); 9-20 p.m. Talk Next Week's Amusements by "The Picture-guest."

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:—We have received sample tubes of "Lotus Duplicator Ink" manufactured by Messrs. Hitwardhak Co., of 231A, Gligan Road, Bombay.

MUSLIM STUDENTS' UNION:—The Election Competition of the above Union will be held to-day (Friday) at 6-30 p.m. in the Hall of the Union at Bhavatsky Lodge, French Bridge, Chowpatty.

SYDENHAM COLLEGE OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMICS:—The sixth College Day gathering of the past and present students of the Sydenham College of Commerce and Economics, Bombay will be held to-day (Friday) at 5-30 p.m. Dewan Bahadur Sir T. Vijayaraghavachariar will preside and distribute the prizes.

CURU GOVIND SINGH:—To celebrate the birth anniversary of Sri Guru Govind Singh Ji, a religious procession will go through the principal streets of Bombay. It will start from Gurdwara to-day (Friday) at 4 p.m. and terminate at 8 p.m. and there after ceremonies will be held throughout the night.

A meeting will also be held to-morrow (Saturday) at 4 p.m. at Marwadi Vivalaya.

P. H. C. C. SHIELD TOURNAMENT:—At a meeting of the Purshotam Hindu Cricket Championship Shield Executive Committee, held on 12th instant, the following resolution was passed:—"This Committee is of opinion that this year's Purshotam Hindu Cricket Championship Shield Tournament be discontinued and the entrance fees be refunded."

STEAMER MOVEMENTS:—The O. S. K. Steamer "Hague" Maru left Singapore for Bombay on January 10 and is due to arrive here on January 24 via Penang and Colombo.

The O. S. K. Steamer "Borneo Maru" left Muz for Bombay on January 13 and is due to arrive here on February 9 via usual ports.

The O. S. K. Steamer "Hague Maru" left Colombo for Bombay on January 12 and is due to arrive here on January 16.

The P. & O. Mail Steamer "Manana" with the Mails from Bombay of 9th instant arrived at Aden at 8 p.m. on the 13th instant and left there at 12-30 a.m. the following day.

The Outward P. & O. Mail Steamer "Kaiser-i-Hind" with the mails from London of the 7th instant arrived at Port Said at 6-30 a.m. on the 13th instant and left there at 1 p.m. the same day.

Steamer "Clan MacLellan" left Cardiff in the afternoon of the 12th instant.

Steamer "Clan MacLellan" left Suez in the evening of the 12th instant.

DADAR 'TERI' CONVICTIONS.

On Thursday morning, at Dadar seven members of a Prabhat Teri were arrested. They were convicted at the Dadar Police Court and awarded 7½ months' imprisonment each.

BOMBAY THEOSOPHICAL FEDERATION.

Under the auspices of the Bombay Theosophical Federation, Prof. F. J. Chavla, M.A. Govindji, R. S. Bhagwat, K. J. B. Wadia and Mr. Mody will speak on "Impressions of Adayar T. S. Convention" on Friday, the 15th January 1932, at the Bhavatsky Lodge Hall at 6-30 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

MALAYALI'S ARRIVAL.

Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya arrived in Bombay by S.S. "Acquile" on Thursday afternoon. He was accompanied by his two sons, S.Jts. Govind Malaviya and Radhakant Malaviya.

A large crowd greeted Panditji at the harbour.

MUSIC BEFORE MOSQUE AT BARODA.

POONA'S REQUEST TO STATE GOVT.

The Anjuman-e-Islam of Poona at a meeting held to-day with Mr. Ahmed Ibrahim Haroon Jaffer in the chair passed a resolution appealing to the Baroda Government to withdraw the decision permitting the playing of music before mosques.—A. P.

UNDER ORDINANCE RAJ.
Official Review Of Situation In Presidency.

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes under date Jan. 14:—

In Thana there has been one more arrest and one of those previously apprehended has been released after being served with an order under section 4 of Ordinance II. In Ahmednagar there have been a few more arrests. In West Khandesh a man from the Central Provinces was arrested for picketing and is being tried under the appropriate Ordinance. There have been no meetings for the last 24 hours in Bhilia.

IN SHOLAPUR.

In Sholapur the usual "prabhat feri" did not go out. The youth who took out a "prabhat feri" in Pandharpur a few days ago apologized and was let off. He explained that he had been promised Rs. 5 for taking out the "feri" but did not receive the money. He came to Akul after the Congress office there was closed and was compelled to leave the village as no one would take them in. The Siddeshwar Pole processions have been carried out without any signs of disturbance so far. The "hartal" declared on the anniversary of the execution of the Sholapur murderers was not observed.

MEETING PROHIBITED.

A commemoration meeting which was announced was prohibited and the small crowd that collected went away when told to do so by the District Superintendent of Police after two men had been arrested. Four individuals who made objectionable speeches at a meeting at Pandharpur were arrested and as they were being taken away stones were thrown at the police, who took refuge in the municipal office. The crowd then dispersed of its own accord.

IN THE BOMBAY SUBURBAN DISTRICT.

There have been a few more arrests. The merchants of Khair have decided that no hartal should be observed on any occasion.

WHAT HAPPENED AT KARACHI.

Exaggerated reports of the dispersal of a meeting at Karachi on the 10th have appeared in the Bombay newspapers. The facts are as follows:—Several hundred people including women gathered at the Ram Bagh recreation ground to break the law by manufacturing salt. The District Magistrate ordered them to disperse within three minutes and the majority left at once. On the expiry of the three minutes the leaders were arrested and those remaining were given a further three minutes to disperse. Again some left and at the end of the period given the few scores re-

SIR K. PREMCHAND'S OFFER TO UNIVERSITY.

Electric Clock Preferably Of Indian Manufacture

The meeting of the Bombay University Senate to be held on 30th instant among other items the following letter from Sir K. Premchand to the Vice-Chancellor will also be considered:—

"With reference to our conversations regarding the renewal of the Rajabai Tower Clock, I and my brother, Maneklal Premchand, hereby offer to present to the University a suitable electric clock in place of the existing clock, which has ceased to be reliable. I desire that there should be in the Tower which was given to the University by my father and which is so closely associated with memories of my family a clock which can always be relied upon to keep accurate time. If a clock of Indian manufacture can be provided which can be guaranteed to do this, I should prefer it, but above all my desire is that the clock which I present should be one on the accuracy of which the public of Bombay will be able to rely.

I leave the selection of the clock to the sole discretion of His Excellency the Chancellor, whom I request you to approach in this behalf. If he is prepared to undertake this responsibility he will doubtless in making his choice seek the best expert advice available.

I understand that the cost of a suitable clock will be about Rs. 10,000, my brother and I desire to bear the whole cost, and not to share it with any others."

SENATE TO OFFER THANKS.

Dr. N. A. F. Moos has given notice of his intention to move, as recommended by the Syndicate, "That the offer of Sir K. Premchand, Kt., and his brother Maneklal Premchand to present an electric clock to the University to take the place of the present mechanical clock in the Rajabai Tower be accepted, with the best thanks of the Senate, and that the Syndicate be requested to make necessary arrangements in the matter in accordance with the donors' desire."

A HOLLYWOOD SATIRE.

At "The Capitol"

Marks Its Fourth Anniversary.

The fourth anniversary of the Capitol was marked by a preview of an M. G. M. production entitled "Stepping Out" depicting the foibles of Hollywood, of oil millionaires who try to become picture producers of gold diggers and of jealous wives. The picture is the celluloid version of Elmer Harris' hilarious New York stage play. The cast includes Charles Green, wood, Leila Hyams, Reginald Denney, Cliff Edwards and Lillian Bond.

IN AHMEDABAD.

In Ahmedabad there was some disturbance on the evening of the 12th when several thousand people attended a meeting in the river bed. The principal speaker was arrested and the meeting dispersed by constables with light canes. There were about 80 women present and a cordon was placed round them so that they should not get mixed up in the melee. Some of the police were hit by missiles and the only serious injury amongst the crowd was one man who had a fractured rib. Another crowd that assembled at Manek Chowk dispersed on the arrival of the police. All the mills were working yesterday. At Surat on the 12th there were no "prabhat feri" processions or meetings and seven of the persons who had been arrested have been released under the usual regulations.

REVENUE COLLECTIONS IN KAIRA.

In Kaira the collection of land revenue on the 11th and 12th in five talukas amounted to Rs. 71,000 and already over Rs. 31 lakhs of the total demand has been collected. Most of the recalcitrant villages of Borsad taluka have begun to make their payments. The results are particularly striking as cultivators usually only begin to pay land revenue after Makar Sankranti, which was yesterday. In Panch Mahals there has been one more arrest.

In Nasik there have been a few sparsely attended meetings consisting chiefly of mischievous boys. Seven more arrests have taken place at Satara.

In Belgam a meeting was convened for the evening of the 11th in the Market Square, but the local shop-keepers objected, because daily meetings interfered with view business. No meeting was held the next day. In Ratnagiri a few more buildings have been occupied. There arrests were made at a meeting held in Malwan.

IN THE PRESIDENCY GENERALLY.

The situation is quiet.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

Civil Appointments.

Hon. Mr. Justice W. T. W. Baker, L.C.S., Judge of His Majesty's High Court of Judicature at Bombay, is granted leave from 30th June 1932 to 27th October 1932.

Mr. N. M. Kamte to officiate as District Superintendent of Police, Panch Mahals, vice Mr. D. F. Reid.

Mr. D. F. P. Reid, on relief, to officiate as Superintendent of Police, vice Mr. H. G. Lang.

Mr. A. C. Holland, on return from leave, to officiate temporarily as Deputy Inspector General of Police, G.I.P. and M. and S. M. Ry's, vice Mr. H. G. Lang.

Mr. E. E. Turner, on relief, to be Deputy Inspector General of Police, Criminal Investigation Department, vice Mr. R. L. McCulloch.

Mr. C. C. G. Pegge, on return from leave, to be District Superintendent of Police, Bijapur, vice Mr. W. W. Clifford.

Mr. G. A. Shildy, on return from leave, to officiate as Deputy Inspector General of Police, Northern Range, vice Mr. A. S. Holland.

Mr. A. E. Holland, on relief, to be District Superintendent of Police, Kaira, vice Mr. C. H. Reynolds, proceeding on leave.

Mr. N. J. Wadia, L.C.S., District Judge, Poona, is granted leave from the 1st June 1932.

Mr. G. Louis Walker to be Solicitor to Government and Public Prosecutor, Bombay, vice Mr. A. Kirke Smith, resigned.

Mr. H. M. Patel, L.C.S., to officiate as Collector, Thar Parkar, vice Mr. A. S. V. Acott, L.C.S.

Mr. C. H. Bhatnagar is granted leave on average pay for six months combined with leave, on half average pay for two months, from 29th March 1932.

Mr. J. P. Brander, L.C.S., Commissioner of Excise, is granted leave from 25th April 1932.

Dr. W. Burns, Principal, Agricultural College, Poona, and Economic Botanist to Government, is granted leave from 30th April 1932.

Lieutenant-Colonel A. N. Thomas, Presidency Surgeon, Bombay, is granted leave from 2nd April 1932.

Lieutenant-Colonel C. M. Plumptre, to officiate as Presidency Surgeon, Bombay, during the absence on leave of Lieutenant-Colonel A. N. Thomas.

Dr. F. C. D'Souza, has been placed in charge of the Dispensary at Hubli from 21st December 1931.

Dr. V. B. Gunte has been placed in charge of the Dispensary at Bhivandi from 31st December, 1931.

B. P. TRADE UNION CONFERENCE.

To Be Held On 23rd And 24th Inst.

An emergent meeting of the Reception Committee of the Bombay Provincial Trade Union Conference was held on Wednesday in the office of the G.I.P. Ry. Workers' Union when Mr. V. H. Joshi occupied the chair. Representatives from the Tramwaymen's Union, Municipal Workers' Union, G.I.P. Ry. Workers' Union, Bank Peons' Union, Dock Workers' Union, Press Workers' Union and several other Unions were present.

The proposal of Mr. Chowdhury that the dates of the Conference be changed to 23rd and 24th inst. as the earlier dates fell on working days was unanimously accepted.

A Committee consisting of Messrs. Karulk, V. H. Joshi, D. S. Valdivya, J. B. Savant, E. V. S. Maniam, Abdul Majid and Sheocharma and the 2 Joint Secretaries was appointed to propagate the idea of the Conference.

The Credentials Committee of the Conference will meet on Wednesday next at a time and place to be fixed up later on. The delegates from the different Unions will meet on Saturday (24th inst.) when the resolutions will be adopted.

The demonstration meeting and the open Conference will be held on Sunday (24th inst.).

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY (EXCLUDING SIND) DECLARED "NOTIFIED AREA."

Unlawful Instigation Ordinance In Action.

A Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary published on Thursday states:—

Under sub-section (2) of section 2 of the Unlawful Instigation Ordinance, the whole of the Bombay Presidency excluding the Province of Sind shall be declared a notified area for the purposes of the said Ordinance; and

That in the notified area mentioned in clause (1), any fee or amount payable to Government for grazing, grass cutting, or for the use of any other produce of land or any amount due to Government under the Indian Forest Act, 1927, or land revenue or any sum recoverable as arrears of land revenue shall be notified liabilities.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 14.

The Imperial Bank has reduced its rate of interest on demand loans to seven per cent.

Just shares opened firm and a good business resulted. In coals a few isolated deals changed hands at about current quotations.

Teas were dull with practically no business. In the miscellaneous section apart from usual demand for sugar, shares no interesting feature took place.

Government Securities were steady. The following were the closing quotations:—

Securities:—3½ per cent. paper 53, 4 per cent. Loan 1930/70 60, 5 per cent. Bonds 1933 96-10, ditto 1935 90-8 5 per cent. Loan 1929/47 70-4, ditto 1939/44 79-3, ditto 1945/5 90-10, 6 per cent. Bonds 1932 99-4, 6 per cent. U. P. Bonds 1921/41 100-12.

Banks:—Bengal Central Bank 100-3.

Cottons:—Mult Mills ordy. 232, Cocks—Bengal Shirdies 2.

Equitable 175-4, New Beerghum 9, New Kendah 3.

Jates:—Chiv Ord. 27-2, Howrah ordy. 28-15, Bukumchand ordy. 22-6, Kamaratty ordy. 287, National ordy. 20-8, Nuddea 15.

Miscellaneous:—Indian Iron and Steel 4-1, B. I. Corporation ordy. 0-15-0, ditto 4-1, Bengal Paper ordy. 41-12, ditto 7 per cent. pref. 50, paid up 49-8, Sugar Shares, Caray & Co. 11, Cawnpore 21-6, New Savan 11-10, Samasipore 11-4.

Teas:—Qrob "B" 4-10, F.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE AND GOLD AND SILVER.

Statement For December 1931

BOMBAY, Jan. 13.

The Collector of Customs, Bombay has issued the following to the press:—

The statement showing the total value of imports, exports and re-exports of Merchandise and Imports and exports of gold and silver (foreign trade private) of the Bombay Presidency, excluding Sind, during the month of December, 1931, as compared with the same month of the previous year.

Imports of merchandise 4,10,57,899 3,60,67,564

Exports of merchandise 3,73,29,811 2,90,34,216

Imports of foreign merchandise 18,93,505 19,00,709

Imports of gold 12,68,293 17,40,827

Imports of silver 13,29,686 68,76,520

Imports of currency notes 1010 11,165

Exports of gold 4,53,090 17,70,72,293

Exports of silver 14,15,236 5,67,207

Exports of currency notes Nil Nil

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HEROIC PARSIS YOUTH.

Rescues Fishermen From Boisterous Waters.

A Correspondent writes:—

On the 6th December, 1931, three Parsi youths left the Gateway of India, with a party, in a motor-launch, for Elephanta from where they intended swimming across the harbour. They were hardly but a couple of furlongs into the sea when owing to very turbulent waters a country grow began to stir in front of them. The fishermen on board shouted out for help. The motor-launch bearing the Parsis was steered in that direction with a view to take them over. But before long the grow sank and some of the fishermen clung fast to the mast pole that was sickling out, while three of them were scattered around and were struggling for life. One of these, with the help of a floating cast, tried to make for a nearby cargo-ship, but losing hold of it's only means of support was placed in a pitiful plight. Had it not been for the timely assistance from the motor-launch of the Parsi swimmer Mr. Noshir F. Dalal, who risked his life in the very rough seas, this fisherman would have been drowned. Immediately after rescuing this man, and carrying him to the motor-launch, Mr. Noshir Dalal swam back towards the other two men, who were similarly struggling by the side of the grow and helped them also in. Next, he swam out for the mast pole to which the other fishermen were clinging, and tying it to one end of a rope that was thrown out to him from the launch helped one more man to safety. By this time, two life-boats had arrived, the first being from a ship standing by at a distance, and the other a police boat. The latter took away the remaining five men from the pole. The boat carrying the Parsis tried to transfer the four rescued fishermen to the Police boat but the stormy waves rendered all efforts impossible. They had, therefore, to turn back to Apollo Bunder where they dropped them and proceeded back to Elephanta.

G. I. P. RAILWAY WORKERS' DEMANDS.

Full Sympathy With Matunga Workers.

At a meeting of the G. I. P. workers employed in the Telegraph workshop and the G. I. P. Printing Press, Byculla held on the 11th inst. the following resolutions were passed:—

This meeting fully sympathises with the Matunga workshop men and promises their full support including a General Strike if their demands for opening the shops on Friday and Saturday is not conceded immediately.

This meeting wholeheartedly supports the resolution of the A.R.F. for the General Strike on the 21st March, 1932, assumes if that G. I. P. workers shall be in the forefront in the fight for the reinstatement of 5,000 G. I. P. strikers.

This meeting protests against the action of the G. I. P. authorities in depriving the young telegraph workshopmen of their right to the Railway Provident Fund and other privileges and requests the Railway Agent to restore them their legitimate privilege forthwith.

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H. G. Mahimtura Arrested.

Sgt. Mahimtura (one of the 71 who marched with Mahatma) on his historical march to Dandi) was arrested at Dadar on Thursday evening. He is well-known for his work with hantians in Bombay. He was inspector of Marketing in G. Ward appointed by the B. P. C. C.

Bordi Congratulates Mrs. Gandhi

(From A Correspondent.)

BORDI, Jan. 13.

Last evening a big procession of "Vanar Sena" and youths in honour of the arrests of Sardar Kasturba Gandhi, Mithubhai Pillai and Mica Muniben Patel started from Lalji Square and passed through in important streets. "Unhousables" also took part in the procession. The procession ended in a public meeting where Mr. Vishwanath Khanolkar spoke.

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THOSE COMMITTEES

It seems that the Indian Round Table Conference is not quite defunct but that the show is to be kept up somehow till such time when Government policy having created a 'desert' in India, she would be given the 'peace' of further 'Reforms.' The Viceroy has announced the personnel of the four R. T. C. Committees the nature of which had been indicated much earlier. The four Committees are the Franchise Committee, the Federal Finance Committee, the Indian States Inquiry Committee and a general Committee of the Conference, called the Working or Consultative Committee. The Franchise Committee consists of 15 members with Lord Lathom as the Chairman—in fact the Chairman of each Committee is a non-Indian and so is the entire personnel of the States Committee. The Chairman of the Working Committee with its 19 members will be Lord Willingdon as the Premier's Deputy. The Congress, on which Government have declared war, is, of course, not represented on any of the Committees. Mahatma Gandhi having neglected, according to Government, the opportunity offered twice, to behave himself. Any intelligent and honest man can judge for himself to what extent the Committees without Congress participation can be regarded as representative or productive. Sri J. Purshotamdas Thakurdas has been invited to work on the Consultative Committee, but it is stated that it is not yet certain whether he will consent to do so. By inference, therefore, it may be safely assumed that Sri J. Sapru and his Bombay colleague, who are announced as members of the Working Committee, have without any reservation, already consented to co-operate under any circumstances. There are some surprising omissions in the published lists of co-operators, particularly of certain persons who are known to have been in communication with the Viceroy and who have duly blessed, or acquiesced in, his Ordinances. But the letter of the Premier to the Chairman of the Franchise Committee announces the appointment of Provincial Franchise Committees, on which a number of would-be co-operators may hope to work. Some of the members of the Bombay Corporation who voted against the recent adjournment motion or discreetly remained neutral are not altogether without a chance of working on some Committee or other.

These Committees are expected to work out some important details about representation, franchise, finance etc., on the assumption that the basic principle of a Federal Government for the whole of India with

responsibility at the Centre, subject to safeguards, is a definite settled fact. But the assumption assumes too much. Everybody knows that the basic principle is anything but a settled fact. The three factors which form and determine the principle are all inter-dependent and none of the three is settled unconditionally, absolutely and finally. Responsibility is made conditional on Federation and one set of safeguards, and Federation is made conditional on another set of safeguards; and the safeguards themselves, in so far as they are clearly defined have not been definitely accepted by the Congress and some other responsible bodies. In these circumstances much of the work of the Committees in question is like putting the cart before the horse. But the real object of the Committees seems to be to show that the R. T. Conference has not failed, that its work is only half finished, that it will be finished very soon even without the co-operation of the Congress and that it will be possible for Government to enforce a Constitution acceptable to themselves on the country in spite of any opposition from the Congress. Some Moderate leaders are known to have assured the Government that so long as the latter give a little measure of some sort of responsibility at the centre, regardless of the price therefor in the shape of safeguards, they will work out the Reforms, as they attempted to do ten years ago, with the ever available support of Europeans, and communalists and the 'large-stake-holders.' That being their object, the Committees may certainly go some way towards that object. But the British Government and their Committees are reckoning without their host. It is perhaps best that the Tories in power in Britain and the executors of their policy of 'firm rule' in India do not at once understand their error but have yet to learn wisdom with more bitter experience. For then alone will they realise the necessity to overhaul the whole of the present plan of Reforms.

THE SUKKUR BARRAGE.

The Sukkur Barrage has just been completed and the Viceroy came down from Delhi to open the sluices and start the canals. He naturally takes pride in the completion of the scheme which he has some hand in initiating as the Governor of Bombay though the real decision to get on with the work was arrived at by Lord Lloyd. The barrage with the associated canal system will probably cost Rs. 19 crores though the revised estimate was Rs. 20.03 crores against an original estimate in the neighbourhood of Rs. 16 crores. In addition to this, land has been acquired at a cost of about Rs. 5 crores so that the net capitalisation of the scheme may be taken as Rs. 24 crores. It is possible that when the land is sold, a price could be realised that will be higher than the acquired price, apart from the fact that the Government have had to bear interest charges on the cost of acquisition, there are the costs of rectification and the fact that the land is now distinctly valuable when compared to the desert it was. But it is equally possible that the Government might merely lease the lands for rentals which would keep up the capital cost of the scheme while not realising enough as rental value. The land brought under cultivation by the scheme is estimated at 5.12 million acres and the yield will be 2 million tons of wheat and other grains and 500,000 bales of cotton. This, of course, will be the result after a few years and in the meantime the scheme will entail on the province an annual interest charge of more than one crore in addition to the expenses of engineering and revenue staff.

The Viceroy referred to the

fact that the turbulent waters of the Indus have now been harnessed for the service of the people. The question whether the project was a sound one or not from the financial point of view was, perhaps, outside the province of an inaugural, felicitous speech. The Sind Separation Experts Committee were of the opinion that the Barrage would be a heavy drag on Sind as a separated province and estimated that the project should be classed as an unproductive one as the net profit will be, at best, Rs. 24 lakhs at the end of 30 years. This seems to bring the project within the same category as the Back Bay Scheme which was undertaken at a high cost and when the further progress of the scheme was proved to be unsound we have been left with a load of debt of the most unproductive character. No doubt the Sukkur Barrage will be ranked in official returns as a productive asset but no statements can be immediately available as to how far the original hopes have been realised regarding the revenue from the lands thus brought under irrigation. The crop estimates, at present made, are naturally far too rosy as no reliable experiments have been conducted and the revenue from the project, which has to depend to a very large extent on the return to the cultivator, is thus a matter of mere conjecture.

The effect of what may be called 'unnatural' water on the fertility of the soil is a matter of much uncertainty but recent experience of such projects in the South has not been encouraging. The Pechipara dam in Travancore proposed to make available a regular supply of water instead of the seasonal rain supply. This it succeeded in doing but the result has been that the crop has de-

creased both in quantity and quality and from the revenue point of view the scheme is a failure. Some other projects also seem to indicate that while the new area brought under cultivation would become valuable, this cannot be said of those tracts which previously enjoyed the use of fresh water. In the case of the Sukkur Barrage which will irrigate the lower reaches of the Indus causing a rise in the flood level, the water that will be available for several miles up the river beyond Sukkur might tend to become 'unnatural' during certain months of the year at least and the productivity of the Punjab area, might then possibly become lower than it is now. What is Sind's gain might be the Punjab's loss.

We are also concerned with the plan that will be adopted in leasing or selling the lands. If the latter scheme is adopted, the Bombay people will have an equal chance with people from the Punjab or the population of Sind in buying a part of the area under sale. But if a leasing system is to be adopted, Bombay investors in land may not have adequate opportunity. It is pertinent to point out that though the inhabitants of Sind have a claim on the land, it is the rest of the Presidency that has been financing the scheme for the last eight years and has borne the interest charge during its construction. They are, therefore, entitled in equity to a fair share of the allocations and we trust this will not be lost sight of by the authorities.

Bombay interests also should keep themselves awake to possible developments and press for due recognition. It would be a pity if the scheme for which a burden of about one crore of rupees has been borne every year by the whole Presidency should be repaid solely in the interests of a separated Sind.

Notes of the Day.

Candhiji And Government

The rumour about the possibility of Mahatma Gandhi's release "on parole" was on the face of it ridiculous. London, however, regarded it as sufficiently important for an official denial and thereby paid a left-handed compliment to a man highly honoured even by the members of the British Government. But was it really very necessary to emphasise the Government's intention of not releasing him "without an undertaking from him not to support the Civil Disobedience movement?"

Shrimati Kasturba's Arrest.

A British Official Wireless message stated the other day that Shrimati Kasturba Gandhi was arrested for her support of the no-tax campaign in Bardoli. While we would not suggest that she is unlikely to support a resumption of the campaign, we must say that fuller particulars now available of her arrest and her activities in Bardoli do not warrant the charge urged against her in that message. We have it on reliable authority that she along with Shrimati's Mithuben Petit and Maniben Patel were only carrying their usual constructive work of promoting Khaddar, Swadeshi and prohibition in the villages of Bardoli. We feel confident that for such work of economic regeneration, thirty women workers will take the place of the three that are now under custody and carry on that very constructive work.

A Liberal Knight's Creed.

Sir Pheroz Sethna has come out with an authentic version of what he had said at the Governor's conference. It amounts to this: that the Government of India's Note has proved beyond doubt the justification for Ordinances and that the Government are in possession of "facts" that they will publish before long. Sir Pheroz belongs to that category of "statesmen" who are proud of their sobriety and balance. Why, we wonder, did it not occur to him to give an opportunity to the "accused" to explain the "facts" as well as those that are to be published "before very long"? Or is it that Sir Pheroz has revived the old dis-

credited theory in a new setting: the Government of India can do no wrong?

Sir Montagu Butler's Omission

Much of Sir Montagu Butler's speech to Nagpur businessmen is, of course, conceived on the same lines as the recent pronouncements of other Satraps. But there is one passage that requires a little notice. Admitting the bonafides of Mahatma Gandhi as regards "a peaceful settlement" the C. P. Governor said "Thus, when Mr. Gandhi returned he faced the alternative either of disowning the action of his colleagues and subordinates or of giving them his approval. Unfortunately he chose the latter course and Congress again started the Civil Disobedience movement." His Excellency has—inadvertently—omitted to mention the minor incident of the telegraphic correspondence between Gandhi and Lord Willingdon. The omission is good. Sir Montagu evidently believes in devils but not in the principle of giving the devil his due. Even the "Leader" edited by such a stalwart co-operator as Mr. C. Y. Chintamani had to deplore Lord Willingdon's refusal to give Gandhi a chance.

A Much-Abused Section.

It is reported that acting under the provisions of Section 144 the Collector of Cawnpore has prohibited all persons from displaying in public any Congress Flag or emblem within Cawnpore District for two months as he fears that such display is likely to lead to a disturbance of the public tranquillity and breach of the peace. If the report is true, the Collector's order is a wanton abuse of a Section that is already notoriously abused. The Tricolour, which is evidently meant by him, is the Nation's Flag and is a symbol of the Nation's integrity, honour and freedom. Millions who are not Congressmen pay homage to the Tricolour and love to display it in their homes, offices, schools, colleges, shops and indeed wherever they can; and nowhere has it evoked from the public any other feelings than reverence and exaltation. Such display does by no means indicate disrespect for the Union Jack or any other flag.

OUR LONDON LETTER

CHRISTMAS WHICH HERALDED TROUBLE FOR INDIA

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

(By "AIR MAIL".)

LONDON, Jan. 2. As on Christmas Day and the Boxing Day, the British Press took a good holiday, the public was kept in ignorance over the events which are moving so swiftly in India. Though arrests and imprisonments in India are apprehended on a bigger scale than what they were over a year ago, none had prophesied that the authorities in India would be so impatient over the arrest of Jawaharlal Nehru and deportation of Abdul Gaffar Khan. That the Government should not have patience in laying their hands on the members of the Congress Executive and should have permitted the local satraps to bag two leaders of the Congress movement before the arrival of Mahatma Gandhi in Bombay, is considered by broad-minded people here, as an act of political bankruptcy. They recognise that this year's unique feature of Christmas celebrations in India means the herald of further trouble in India, and, however loud as well quick the Premier had been in denouncing the Indian Nationalists after the arrival of Mahatma in Bombay, Mr. C. Garratt in the "New Statesman" holds the British Government entirely responsible for the tragic situation in India. He says: "It is useless to blame the Hindu Liberals, or the more moderate elements in the Congress. The truth is that these men and women, even those who actually attended the Round Table Conference in London, are completely mystified over the future policy of the Government. Just as we have to judge the mentality of the Congress from the Indian Press, so they have to gather the intentions of the Cabinet from the Prime Minister's vague speeches, from Sir Samuel Hoare's negative pronouncements, and from the extremely hostile attitude of the Conservative Press. It is nonsense for Mr. MacDonald to state, as he did the other day, that 'the Government has given more proof than any of its predecessors that by negotiation and consent, it was prepared, in conjunction with the leaders of Indian opinion to agree to a very large broadening of Indian freedom.' The whole statement, continues Mr. Garratt, read in the light of the proceedings during the last fortnight of the conference, can only add to the general bewilderment and uncertainty. It would be interesting to know exactly what 'proof' has been given by the present Government which was lacking during the term of office of Mr. MacDonald's previous Labour Government. The ordinary Indian politician has no idea whether the method of progress by negotiation is to continue or not.

POLICY BASED ON CONVICTION.

But the "Spectator" holds that the Government are pursuing their policy on the convictions declared at St. James' and Westminster. It also recognises that the balance of power between the 'Bengal revolutionaries' and the Government is held by Mahatma Gandhi when it says "once more, it is obvious vast responsibility rests on Mr. Gandhi, who has wisely refrained from any immediate declaration. His defence of the Delhi Pact with Lord Irwin as an act of statesmanship, is encouraging, and the interview he is said to be seeking with the present Viceroy may tilt the balance in the direction of peace, for the Mahatma, like all temperamental persons, is sensitive to his immediate milieu and it is not to be desired that his only contact should be with the Congress circles. The Congress Working Committee itself appears to be divided. Mr. Nehru is under arrest. Mr. Vithalbal Patel is attacking Mr. Gandhi and urging war to the knife, but at any rate precipitate decisions have been avoided and there is still time for relations between Mr. Gandhi and Lord Willingdon to develop on sufficiently friendly lines to dispose the Mahatma to reject the demands for a new non-co-operation campaign." The paper thinks the Indian extremists are playing all the time into the hands of British reactionaries, just as the British reactionaries are playing all the time into theirs.

JINGO PRESS FULMINATIONS.

However, when such are the pronouncements of Mr. Garratt, a man well versed in Indian politics, and the "Spectator," a paper considered as well balanced in its political thoughts, the Jingo Press holds "Mahatma" Gandhi and the whole of the Congress Executive responsible for the acts of terrorists in Bengal. Its headlines, running into streamers, proclaimed Gandhi's home landing as "Gandhi at Bay, Talks about Bullets," "Gandhi Repeats His Talk of War and Tells His Followers to Face Bullets." It has taken great satisfaction in the engineered hostile demonstration of the "Depressed" classes who indulged in throwing chilly powder. This form of demonstration is considered as a counter-part of what the University boys do over here, when at their rags they go about with gas and tear-bombs. Except the "Daily Herald" who wants both the sides to keep cool in India when it recognises that "Mr. MacDonald's plea at the Conference for the 'new path' of negotiation rather than the old one of strife has been answered by Mr. Gandhi's equally fervent declaration of his desire to spare his country the 'fiery ordeal,'" the Loud Speakers from Fleet Street declare that Gandhi got what he deserved. All are united in their jubilation that Mahatma Gandhi returned home "empty-handed"—to use their own phrase. The action of the Viceroy, which, according to Bernard Houghton, is nothing less than open "dictatorship" is heralded with great relief as a master-stroke to suppress the revolutionaries, "who want to remove the Britishers—men, women and children—at the point of bullets."

In their pursuit of Gandhi hunt, even the "News Chronicle," the mouthpiece of British Liberalism, has joined hands in patting the Prime Minister for his denunciation of the Congress. It says: "It is impossible to say that the rebuke administered by the Prime Minister to the mischievous movement trampling in its own self-will upon the Indian progress is not justified. Mr. MacDonald has shown throughout the long weary negotiations for Indian Reforms a most exemplary patience, coupled with a rare courage and tenacity of purpose."

ERRATA.

According to his letter in the "Times of India," Mr. K. K. Lakshmi has actually read the "Congress Bulletin." As a first offender, however, the Authorities will, I am quite sure, take a charitable view of his lapse.

"The rush to pay revenue at Muzaffarpur has resulted in one death and one man very seriously injured." How about section 144, if not an Ordinance, against such manner of payment in Muzaffarpur? Timely action is always the best you know.

"Mr. Alexander Shaw of the P. and O. Company was hardly exaggerating when he declared in the speech reported to-day that the economic and social structure of Europe was daily moving nearer the precipice"—Anglo-India.

And I am hardly exaggerating when I declare that Lord Willingdon and his Ordinances must immediately be sent to Europe. For this is the time when 'emergence political charity should begin at home.'

Talking of Mr. Shaw I naturally endorse his urgent plea to "travel" and "buy" British. In connection with the latter I am glad to notice that India has started doing its positive bit, for I have just read the happy news from Madras. Government having closed down an All-India Swadeshi Exhibition in the Congress House, "the exhibitors have been directed to name the lists of articles in their respective stalls" and to close the stalls pending orders from the Government as to whether the articles are to be returned to them."

This reminds me of "Governors' Conferences," throughout India. They were, of course, a grand success and otherwise O.K. But every one of their Excellencies has committed one serious error of omission. The merchants should have been assured that the Round Table Conference—I understand from Press reports that it is quite alive—which is going to give a wide and generous measure of the usual stuff, to India, will see to it that a clause is incorporated in the whatever-the-name (1) guaranteeing complete freedom of trade and (2) rendering ultra-vires, by statute, any future measure of protection against foreign goods especially foreign cloth.

SIR JOHN THOMPSON AND "NON-VIOLENCE."

—Press Head Line.—
Sir John is the worthy Chief Commissioner who is keeping watch over Delhi.
But lest I may be misunderstood, I hasten to explain that the headline reproduced above, as also the quotation marks, belong to the "Civil and Military Gazette" of Lahore.

REUTER'S CHIEF DEAD.

LONDON, Jan. 14.
The death has occurred of David Croal Pendrigh, Joint Chief Editor of Reuters—Reuters.

"NAVJIVAN" EDITOR ARRESTED.

Mumababad Youths' And Ladies' Procession Dispersed.

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 13.

Mr. Mohanlal Bhatt, Editor, "Navjivan" was arrested this evening at his office under the Emergency Ordinance.

Mr. Chhaganlal Joshi was sentenced to six months' rigorous and a fine of Rs. 100, in default six weeks more.

Police dispersed processions of youths and ladies in different parts of the city.

HOARE-WILLINGDON POLICY.

Restores India's Prestige.

DIE-HARD JOURNAL'S CERTIFICATE.

FINANCIAL SITUATION.

LONDON, Jan. 14. The "Times" in City Notes commenting on repayment of five-and-half per cent loan says that confidence of investors in Indian securities will be strengthened not only by turn in financial affairs but also by recent political happenings which have given considerable satisfaction to financial circles.

The "Financial Times"—In an editorial finds that the Government of India's ability to repay in cash outstanding five-and-half per cent stock without fresh borrowing is most highly gratifying though it points out that it is largely due to the suspension of gold standard in Britain and India. Repayment will serve as definite indication to British capital that it can go forward with the task of developing resources of India untroubled by fears for future.

The "Daily Telegraph"—In an editorial says that Sir S. Hoare and Lord Willingdon have at this critical juncture in the affairs of India restored that prestige of public authority which is among the most precious benefits conferred by British rule.

BRITISH POLICY IN INDIA. The "Times"—In an editorial on British policy in India opines that "consistent courageous and generous" British policy is showing signs at last of bearing fruit. It is apparent that dual policy of firm repression of lawlessness and

steady fulfilment of the promise of constitutional progress are essentially complementary. There is nothing incongruous in the fact that most of the Congress leaders are imprisoned while British members of the Round Table Conference are about to sail for India to carry on the Conference.—Reuter's Special.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA IS SOLVENT.

Associated Press Broadcasts The News And Sermonizes.

NEW DELHI, Jan. 14. On the 15th January 5 12 per cent sterling loan amounting to nearly £15 million (£14872568) will fall due for repayment.

Owing to large remittances which have been effected during the last three months the Government of India have sufficient sterling balances to provide for this repayment without borrowing in London or drawing on their reserves.

Well-informed circles consider that India's credit abroad will naturally be enhanced by this striking proof of the strength of her financial position, especially at a time when so many countries and in particular, the countries dependent on primary products for a favourable trade balance are experiencing considerable difficulty in meeting their foreign obligations.—A.P.

OILY POLITICS AGAIN.

European Powers Come To Agreement.

CONCESSIONS FOR OIL ON TIGRIS BANK.

LONDON, Jan. 14. Cannes.—Complete agreement is understood to have been reached at the Conference here to discuss oil concessions right on the bank of the Tigris in Iraq.

Britain was represented at the Conference by Admiral of Fleet, Lord Westerwys and Sir Edward Mountbatten, the Chairman of British Oil Development Company. German, Italian and French delegates were also present.—Reuter.

CAPE TOWN CONFERENCE

LONDON, Jan. 14. Cape Town.—The Indian Conference has hitherto been occupied with preliminaries and will not get into grips with real work till Monday. All conversations have hitherto been very harmonious and very high hopes are entertained of successful outcome of the Conference.

The South African Indian Congress in a memorandum to the Indian Delegation urges the complete withdrawal of land Tenure Bill and the abandonment of assisted emigration scheme and also claim the extension of franchise with municipal and parliamentary privileges to Indians in Natal and Transvaal.—Reuter.

CONGRESSMEN IN SOUTH INDIA ARRESTED

Women Jailed For Distributing Pamphlets

MADRAS, Jan. 14. Arrests and convictions of Congressites have been reported from Madurai, Mannargudi, Namakkal, Salem, Tiror, Bezwada and some other places.

A Trinopolis message says that three women including the wife of Dr. Swaminatha Sastri, a prominent Congress worker, have been awarded six months' simple imprisonment for distributing pamphlets and picketing foreign cloth shops in defiance of prohibitory orders.—A.P.

Ahmedabad Mayor Confers With Minister

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 14. Nothing definite is known regarding the interview Mr. G. V. Mavalankar, President of the Ahmedabad Municipality had with Sir Rustom Vakil, Minister for Local Self-Government along with two other Municipal Councillors. The President of the Municipality, however, assured the Minister that it was not their intention to violate the provisions of the Municipal Act or rules within the Municipality. Government might, therefore, do whatever it liked in exercise of its powers under the Act.—A.P.

WORLD DISARMAMENT

John Bull's Claim.

ENTERING CONFERENCE WITH CLEAR CONSCIENCE.

SPECIAL CABLE.

LONDON, Jan. 14. Britain enters the Disarmament Conference with a clear conscience of having set the example to the world said Mr. Eden, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, addressing the Disarmament demonstration at Mansion House on behalf of Sir John Simon who was unable to attend.

Mr. Eden added that Government had been actively preparing for the Conference, in constant consultation with the Dominions, with whom they would seek to work in the closest collaboration throughout. Among the great powers despite risks involved in view of her world commitments Britain had gone to the limit of an example in drastically reducing her armament and she could do no more alone.

Other nations must follow our lead and do their share. The Government would enter the Conference in no mean or niggling spirit but was sincerely anxious to contribute in securing real and enduring progressive decrease of world disarmaments.

Schmeling-Walker Fight Postponed.

LONDON, Jan. 13. New York.—The world championship fight between Schmeling and Mickey Walker fixed at Miami for 26th February has been cancelled owing to the fear of financial fiasco.—Reuter's Copy-right.

RUGBY IN ENGLAND.

Middlesex Beat Airforce.

LONDON, Jan. 13. Under the Rugby Union Rules, to-day Middlesex beat Airforce by 16 points to 5, and Bristol beat Navy by 12 points to 3.

Under the Rugby Northern Union Rules Salford beat St. Helens by 9 points to 3.—Reuter's Copy-right.

COCHET OFFERED A PRESS JOB.

SPECIAL CABLE. LONDON, Jan. 14. Paris.—Cochet has invited by French newspaper to go to Los Angeles Olympics as its special correspondent, but he states that he will not be able to go if the Davis Cup matches clash as at present they do.

Lawn Tennis Association.

SPECIAL CABLE. LONDON, Jan. 14. Sir Leonard Lytle will be the new Chairman of Lawn Tennis Association. Ladies Golf Union is reported to be arranging for official tour of South Africa.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Jan. 14. Deaths have occurred of Col. John MacGregor, Arthur, Pelham Collins and Sir Robert Herriot Henderson.—Reuter.

LATEST COTTON PRICES.

(Cotton Information Bureau, 381, Small Buildings, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay).

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

MAY.

New York, Jan. 14. Previous Closing Rate 6.80 To-day's Opening Rate 6.86 Difference +.06 To-day's Closing Rate 6.83 Difference -.03 Broach Expectations Rs. 214

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

MAY.

Liverpool, Jan. 14. Previous Closing Rate 5.94 To-day's Opening Rate 5.10 Difference +.06 To-day's Closing Rate 5.10 Difference +.06

LONDON SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Jan. 14. Silver Ready 19 15/16 Higher 0 2 0 Silver Forward 20 0 0 Higher 0 2 0 Tote of Market: China bought.

BOMBAY PRICES.

Bombay, Jan. 14. Ready Rs. 60 0 0 Posh Rs. 60 2 0 Gold (Posh) Rs. 28 14 0

SEC. 144 IN DHARWAR.

Contraband Salt Sold.

'KARMAVEER' STOPS PUBLICATION.

(From Our Correspondent.)

DHARWAR, Jan. 13. Mr. G. A. Hiremath issued an order yesterday under Sec. 144 C. P. C. prohibiting the Satyagraha meeting announced for the evening and also prohibiting people to assemble in any place in the Dharwar town to further the object of the Congress for a period of one week. But the meeting announced for the evening in honour of the Sholapur Martyr's Day did take place. Mr. Bindacharya Buri, Organising Secretary of the Karnataka Seva Dal, addressing it.

Mr. Buri also sold contraband salt in the meeting which a number of persons purchased. At the end of the meeting when Vandematarang was being sung, about 50 armed and lathi police arrived on the scene and surrounded the assembly. The place of the meeting which was previously announced was guarded by these 50 police with the intention of preventing the meeting. But the organisers held the meeting at a different place and frustrated the attempts of the police in preventing the same.

Mr. Bindacharya Buri took out a procession through the town and addressed small meetings in different places before finally dispersing the accompanying crowd. TALUK SECRETARY ARRESTED. Early this morning, the police arrested Mr. Rangacharya Agalagatti, Secretary of the Dharwar Taluk Congress Committee, under section 3 of the Investigation Ordinance and removed him to the Belgaum Central Prison.

'KARMAVEER' SUSPENDED. The premises of the "Karmaveer" (Weekly) Kanarese newspaper edited by Mr. R. R. Diwakar, being occupied by the police as, the paper has suspended publication.

Police arrested Mr. Diwakar under the Ordinance and occupied the premises of his press and newspaper on the plea that a volunteers' camp was lodged.

The persons in charge of the paper and the press have applied to the Home Government through the Collector for vacating the premises and releasing the press.

NINE-POWER TREATY

China To Cooperate With U. S.

TOKIO, Jan. 13. It is authoritatively stated that on receipt of the American note invoking the Nine Power Treaty Mr. Eugene Chan, Chinese Foreign Minister who previously had approached the Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai for a statement of Japan's fundamental proposals, promptly ceased his advances; but the Japanese official circles admit that Japan is in no hurry to open negotiations as the stability of the present Nanking Government is considered not yet sufficient.

Meantime a Nanking message declares that China's reply to the American Note was delivered to the United States Consul-General, yesterday, in the course of which China states her readiness to cooperate with the United States in upholding the sanctity of the Nine-Power Treaty, of which the fundamental principle is the preservation of China's territorial and administrative integrity. The reply asserts that it is the obligation of every signatory, including Japan, to uphold this principle.—Reuter.

DR. MOONJE RETURNS TO INDIA.

Keeps Mum About Political Situation.

Dr. B. S. Moonje a delegate to the R. T. C. returned home on Thursday by the P. & O. Mail s.s. "Naldara". He was received at the Mole station by numerous friends and was garlanded. He drove to the residence of Raja Bahadur Govindlal Shrivastava where he is staying. Dr. Moonje refused to make any statement to the press till he had studied the situation in the country and consulted his colleagues and lieutenants.

AZIZ LALJI'S HOME COMING

Among the arrivals by the Italian steamer s.s. "Acquile" on Thursday was Mr. Aziz Lalji an ex-Secretary of "War Council". For some months past Mr. Aziz was in Aden where he was engaged in Swadeshi propaganda. He was greeted by friends at the dock.

LATHI CHARGE IN PESHAWAR

But "All Quiet" Says Commissioner.

CONGRESS ACTIVITY AGAIN.

PESHAWAR, Jan. 14.

The Chief Commissioner has issued the following:— On the 12th January, certain Congress sympathisers in Peshawar City sent secret messages to the villages in Mohmand Tappa, southwest of Peshawar stating that picketing would not be interfered with. The next day in the city, acting on this false information, a number of villagers assembled to hold a meeting in defiance of the order. They were dispersed by the police with lathi charges, during which brickbats were thrown from roofs at the police, one of which hit the Assistant Superintendent.

Owing to improved situation in Peshawar District, it has been possible to withdraw the Pabli Column and one of Mardan Column to the Cantonnments and to reduce materially the strength of other Columns. It has also been possible to discontinue entirely night visits to villages which were necessary during the first few days to arrest important leaders and wanted men who were evading arrest. The situation in Kohat District continues very satisfactory. A large percentage of Khattaks, who were arrested as being open supporters of the Congress movement have apologized, and have been released on giving an undertaking to have nothing to do with the Congress in future.

Seventy-two were released on the 12th and 13th January. All is quiet in Bannu and Hazara District. There has been no resurgence of Congress activity during the last few days in northern portion of Tank District, especially round Gulistan and villages north of it.—A.P.

PRABHAT FERIS DISPERSED

Three Arrested; 2 Served With Notice.

(From Our Correspondent.)

DONDAI, Jan. 13. A charge was made this morning on the three Prabhat Feris of males and females: Sjt. Vithwanath Pandya, Harilal M. Dahiya and Vithal Dalsuth Modhia were arrested. Notices not to leave the Donda town were served on Kamalshankar Pandya and Hirpashankar D. Acharya.

NOTICES ON BERAR LEADERS.

Congress Committee Declared Unlawful.

(From A Correspondent.)

AKOLA, Jan. 14. Messrs. Bhyani, Gole, Sugachand, Tapadia, Ratilal, Mayneetal and Mrs. Durgabai Joshi were served yesterday with notices by the Deputy Commissioner of Akola intimating to them that the Berar Congress Committee had been declared as unlawful association and that they were members of it.

Sjts. Aney, Biyani and Mrs. Durgabai Joshi left for Wardha yesterday.

Last night, a public meeting was held under the presidency of Mr. Gole to congratulate Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi on her arrest.

40 ARRESTS IN LUCKNOW

Congress Office Locked Up.

LUCKNOW, Jan. 14.

Police took possession this morning of the Local Congress Office which has been locked up. About forty have been arrested, most of whom are volunteers.—A.P.

EX-M.L.C. RELEASED.

Ban on Taking Part In National Activities.

(From A Correspondent.)

PALGHAR, (Thana), Jan. 14. Mr. Chhatral Shrivastava, ex-M.L.C. of Palghar, was released from Thana jail yesterday, and served with orders ordering him to leave Palghar and to abstain from attending and addressing public meetings and participating in the Civil Disobedience movement for one month.

ALL QUIET IN KASHMIR.

The Publicity Officer, His Highness's Government, Jammu and Kashmir wiring from Jammu under date to-day says:—

A message from Mirpur received late last night states that telegraph communication has been restored between Jhelum and Mirpur. Chowmukh Road has been opened to traffic. Two platoons patrolled Chowmukh but found nothing disquieting. All is quiet.—A.P.

CITY NOTES

PARADOXICAL FALL IN BANK RATE.

(By OUR FINANCIAL CRITIC).

Bombay, Jan. 14. The Imperial Bank Rate has been lowered to seven per cent, and the explanation seems to be that it has so pleased the authorities. The cash balance of the bank has not gone up, in fact it has come down by 215 lakhs and the trade demand does not seem to have gone down. The money market is still tight and the whole thing seems to be a paradox.

The bankers' idea was that no high rate would continue. If the rate is lowered in anticipation of future easiness in the market, they think this is rather unconvincing. The brokers are equally in the dark. Some think it is mysterious while some attribute it to the fact that as the exchange purposes of the Government have been served, a lower rate would not do harm to the Government position.

The official position perhaps is that the country has been clamouring for cheaper money and the Government are now able to give it. It is not due to the decline of gold exports because this might prove to be a temporary relief not calling for a lower bank rate. On the other hand it is even thought that as the market has opened to-day for business on a small scale, gold may again start coming into Bombay.

It is possible that one explanation of it is that easier money will prevent the sale of Government Securities, and thus help to maintain prices which have just begun to look up. But this is subject to the qualification that the Imperial Bank Circular still lives, and that money cannot possibly be borrowed against securities unless it be for genuine trade purposes.

THE MARKETS TO-DAY.

The Share Market was closed to-day on account of settlement. The Bullion Market did some small business for covering operations. The cotton market will be opening to-morrow but much depends on the brokers themselves. If they are not keen, there will be no business.

THAT MOTOR COMPETITION AGAIN.

The annual reports of the Mandra-Bhon and Sialkot-Narowal Railways refer to the same cause for the fall in revenue, namely, the competition of the motor traffic. To my mind this seems somewhat overworked in these cases. Both these lines have depended far more on passenger traffic than goods traffic which is generally more paying. In the Indian railways the earnings on goods have amounted to nearly double that on passengers. In these two lines, the ratios are only 1/4 for the Mandra-Bhon and 1/10 for the other railway.

EFFECT OF HIGHER FARES.

The really important factor seems to have been the trade depression and the recent rise in fares. During the year 1929-30 the rates seem to have been raised because though there has been a fall in traffic there has

been a rise in earnings over the previous year. This seemed good at the time, but the year 1930-31 has brought out the reverse of economic laws. In the Sialkot-Narowal Railway, the number of passengers fell by 112,000 or 11 per cent, but revenues fell by Rs. 60,800 or 17 per cent, an average of 81 annas per passenger carried less than the previous year. In the case of Mandra-Bhon Railway, the figures are more striking. The number of passengers declined by only 31,090 or about 8 per cent, but the earnings were less by Rs. 33,000 or about 20 per cent, with an average of one rupee per passenger carried less than before.

The conclusions are that the railways have really lost in two ways through the increased fares. First the number of passengers has declined, the motor traffic becoming more popular in comparison, and secondly the mileage per person has fallen. For shorter distances they still use the railway and for longer distances they avoid it. If the railways concerned will take a lesson from this they should reduce the fares and attract traffic in the future.

The dividends declared make 2 per cent for Sialkot-Narowal which is quoted at 72 for Rs. 100 paid up and 34 for Mandra-Bhon which is quoted at 50 nominal for Rs. 100 paid up.

THE RISE IN SECURITIES.

The cables are busy wiring us information that Indian Loan issues in London have been booming. And the reason assigned is that the strong Government now in evidence is inspiring the British investor with confidence in these scrips. If the British investor thinks so, he is different from the Indian investor to whom it does not appear in the same way. During the past few days almost all the issues have arisen by one or two points and 34 per cent, sterling loan has risen from 48 1/2 to 55. But if the movement reflected the mind of the investor, correctly there would have been a similar rise in India. But the 34 per cent, rupee paper has not moved up but has rather declined somewhat in London during this period. Does this not seem to be contradictory? If the British investor was becoming more optimistic why has he not gone in for the rupee stock also? To say the least, it is a mystery.

CUSTOMS REVENUE.

The Customs Revenue for December 1931 for all-India amounted to Rs. 4.44 lakhs against 3.91 lakhs in the previous month and Rs. 3.55 lakhs in December 1930. The anticipations of the Finance Member from the higher taxation were that there would be about Rs. 4 crores from this source during the four months of this year, or about one crore each month but the returns do not seem to have realised them. For the nine months ending December 1931, the revenue was only Rs. 33.55 crores against Rs. 34.45 crores last year.

OFFENSIVE AGAINST CONGRESSMEN IN CITY.

(Continued From Page 1.)

arrived at Chowpatty to supervise the operations.

BATTLE OF WITS.

For about two hours it was a battle of wits between the police and the crowds. Every now and then, some people from the crowd would display flags. The police would then rush at the flag-bearer, and the crowds would scatter in all directions. A few persons then flew tri-coloured kites in the air.

The police retired from Chowpatty a little after 7 p.m. when about 25 persons had been arrested. The crowds, however, did not disperse but formed another procession which marched along Sandhurst Bridge, Chattri Road and Girgaum Back Road.

The Maharavadi Police however dispersed the procession, but till late in the night, crowds surrounded the police station and kept on shouting slogans.

The lathi charges at Chowpatty and elsewhere resulted in 20 injured, 12 of the injured were treated in the Congress Free Hospital, but only 5 were detained as disorderly patients, and the rest were discharged. 3 of the injured were

treated at the Nair Hospital, and the remaining 5 were treated and discharged at the Emergency Tree Hospital.

In parcel, a public meeting was dispersed by Police and 8 men and 2 women were arrested.

ARRESTS AT MAHIM.

Five persons were arrested by the Police at Mahim on Thursday morning for taking part in a Prabhat Feri. It appears that a Prabhat Feri was marching from Rama's temple and had gone as far as Mori Road, when the police headed by Inspector Karnik ordered them to disperse. On their refusal to do so, the following five persons were arrested: Messrs. Dawande, Varad, Khochis, Manivadekar and Pradhan.

POLICE AT PRAYER.

VILE PARLE, Jan. 14.

During the usual prayer at Gandhi Chowk in Vile Parle, police appeared and dispersed the crowd. One man was arrested and subsequently released. Afterwards, the prayer was continued on the road nearby.

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MADRAS SWADESHI EXHIBITION

Govt. Order To Wind It Up

MADRAS, January 13. Government having taken possession of the Congress House in Royapettah where the All-India Swadeshi Exhibition is being held, notice has been issued to the Secretary of the Exhibition requiring him to wind up the exhibition which normally was to have closed to-morrow. The exhibitors have been directed to name the lists of articles in their respective stalls and to close the stalls pending orders from Government as to whether the articles are to be returned to them or not.—A.P.

REBEL CONVICT HANGED

Death Sentences Of 8 More Upheld

RANGOON, January 13. A condemned rebel convict was executed in Tharrawaddy jail on January 2. He is the 8th to pay the penalty for the offence of rebellion.

Mr. Justice Brown and Mr. Justice Baguley upheld the death sentence of eight Burman accused in the Thayetmyo rebellion case in which seven others have been transported for life. In the course of this rebellion four policemen and two other Burmans were killed.—A.P.

Belgaum Processionists Arrested.

BELGAUM, Jan. 13. Processions at Belgaum in connection with the Sholapur execution reached stalemate when the processionists squatted on the ground with a posse of policemen watching them. This continued till 10-30 last night.

Police ultimately arrested all squatters. Of those arrested women satyagrahis were subsequently released but the rest are still in police custody.—A.P.

Detained Processionists Released

BELGAUM, January 13. Mr. Jiwaji Venkatesh Valgi, the local Congress Dictator and four other processionists of last night who were detained in police custody after the release of others this morning were released this evening unconditionally.—A.P.

Belgaum Arrests

BELGAUM, January 12. Juvekar who broke the District Magistrate's order directing him to remove himself for one month from the place issued under the Ordinance, was put under arrest this evening. Prabhu, a Congress volunteer who has made a speech last week was arrested this evening on a charge under section 117 I.P.C.—A.P.

ORDINANCE ARRESTS IN MUZAFFARPUR.

MUZAFFARPUR, Jan. 13. Sentences of six months rigorous imprisonment under the Ordinance have been passed on Surya Prasad of Muzaffarpur Town Congress Committee, Ramendra-nath Roy Chowdhury, Provincial Organizer of the Hindustani Seva Dal and Brajadrakishore Prasad, Secretary of the Town Congress Committee. The last named was also fined Rs. 150.

Three others were sentenced to five months rigorous imprisonment with fines, while for picketing four were awarded terms of imprisonment upto six months.

Bhindsawar Prasad Varma the President of the District Congress Committee, has been arrested.—A.P.

BLACK FLAG PROCESSION IN KARACHI

Saraswati Devi Addresses Meeting

KARACHI, January 13. A small black flag procession taken out this evening by the local Congress Committee to protest against the Viceroy's visit to Sind terminated at Rambang Recreation ground where it dispersed after Saraswati Devi, the seventh Dictator had addressed a few words.

Jamiatul, the sixth dictator, was arrested as the procession was starting.—A.P.

Hyderabad Editor Arrested.

HYDERABAD (Sind). Mr. Utanchand Gidwani and Miranand, editor of the "Hindi" daily have been arrested. "The Congress Office has been sealed by the authorities. Picketing of foreign cloth shops has commenced.—A.P.

ROUND-UP OF SATARA LEADERS

Police Disperse Meeting

KARAD & WAR DICTATOR JAILED

(From A Correspondent.)

NAPHAD, January 13.

Karad Congress Dictators Mr. Atkekar and Mr. Balam Gular were convicted under Criminal Law Amendment Act and sentenced to 15 and six months' imprisonment with fine of Rs. 100 each. War Dictator Mr. Kulkarni was similarly sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment by Sub-Divisional Magistrate on Tuesday.

The Second Dictator of Satara Mr. Sakayakar awaits trial. His successor Mr. Atmaram Patil was arrested at Satara while trying to address a meeting yesterday. The police dispersed the meeting and arrested Mr. Modak a pleader, Mr. Ghanekar Halbe and Kathi on their alleged refusal to disperse. The S. P. Ogarman with a large number of armed and lathi constables effected these arrests.

£20,000 WORTH KORAN DISAPPEARS

Loss Of Jerusalem Alaque Mosque

(SPECIAL CABLE.)

LONDON, Jan. 13.

Jerusalem.—A manuscript Koran estimated to be worth £20,000 has disappeared from the Alaque Mosque. The loss of the manuscript, which was inscribed on parchment and was 200 years old, was discovered at the beginning of the fast of Ramadan, a few days ago, when it was required for ritual purposes.

SIR SIDNEY LOW DEAD

Journalist And Author

LONDON, January 13.

The death has occurred of Sir Sidney Low, journalist and author.—Reuter.

Sir Sidney Low, Kt., was a lecturer on Constitutional History, King's College University of London. He edited St. James's Gazette from 1888 to 1897, was Literary Editor of the "Standard" (1904), and Special Correspondent during the Royal visit to India 1905-6. He was with the Italian army in 1906. Among his publications are: "A vision of India" (1906); "Political History of the Reign of Queen Victoria" (1907); "Egypt in Transition" (1914); "The Spirit of the Allied Nations" (1915) and "The call of the East" (1921).

B. C. C. A. CHESS TOURNAMENT

A Successful Venture

The third annual chess tournament held under the auspices of the Bombay Central Chess Association was a great success as the players of all the communities took part in it. The idea of making divisions in order to create more interest and thus encourage the players of different standard was approved by all lovers of the game, as well as the competitors.

It was the first time that the formation of a third division attracted sufficient number of players. All the players are greatly indebted to the authorities of the St. Xavier's College for their encouragement in the promotion of the Royal Game. It appears that the energy, enthusiasm and vigilance showed by the young players will soon improve the standard of the game in this city. The coveted day that Bombay should lead other cities and towns will dawn in due course of time. The undermentioned gentlemen won prizes in the tournament:

I Division: Dr. J. G. da Cunha 1st prize.

Mr. R. V. Lhasse 2nd prize.

Mr. N. Kazi and Mr. F. B. Mistri 3rd prize divided.

II Division: Mr. B. M. Katrik 1st prize.

Mr. G. G. Dhavie 2nd prize.

Mr. B. J. Madan 3rd prize.

Mr. P. F. Khory Brillancy prize.

III Division: Mr. M. H. Pradhan 1st prize.

Mr. J. C. Graelas 1st and 2nd prizes divided.

Mr. D. L. Nakache, and Mr. B. E. Choksey 3rd prize divided.

Calcutta.—The Hospital Day will be held this year on Saturday, January 16 when ladies and medical students will sell flags in the streets. Last year the Hospital Day Fund distributed Rs. 20,000 to these institutions which had the least funds or the poorest patients.—A.P.

OUR LONDON LETTER

(Continued From Page 4.)

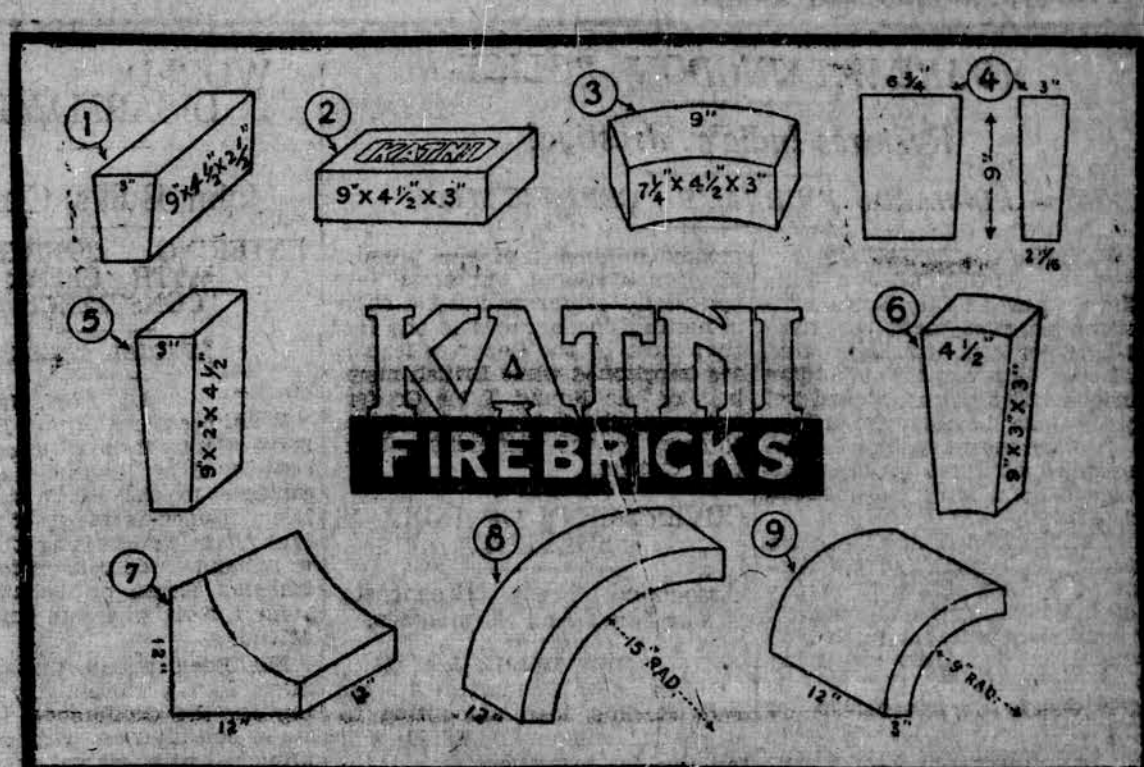
They were welcomed at a Reception in Regent Street on Sunday night by Mr. Jinnah, who disappointed his young friends, as he called them, by formally welcoming them without giving a few of his thoughts on current politics to which they had looked for in vain. Dr. Scott-Liddett, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, welcoming the delegates on the following morning said "at this time, when the gravest problems of our mutual relationships are being discussed and are about to be solved, infinite goodwill and patience and respect for one another are necessary. An appreciation of the providence of history, which has brought us into vital union with one another must be held up by us before impatient, and it may be rash,atory, men and women in this country and in yours. That is a great service which educated men and women of India may render to India and to this country. If that spirit binds us together in our university relationship the educated representatives of India will do immense good to the higher spiritual well-being of this country and in turn they will take back the spirit of idealism and goodwill, help them to play a part in securing by peaceful means the freedom, prosperity and progress of India." According to the Secretary's report, there were 2,000 Indians studying in Great Britain at the present moment and the amount of money they would spend in an average of three years' course would exceed £1,000,000. In other countries Indian students were attracted by the offer of scholarships and fellowships. Very few universities offered such prizes to Indian students although most of them were studying in this country.

YOUNG INDIANS' VIEWS.

Mr. Yusufali, late Principal of the Islamic College, Lahore in a paper on the "Indian University" said that the older generation of Indians had not risen to full appreciation of the importance of the student body in India. The male students in India now numbered about one-tenth of the total population, but the opportunities given to the students in India were meagre. "The Indian student," said Mr. Yusufali, "has in him the making of something we have realised." He added that in Indian universities there was a waste of brain and character caused by the ill-adaptation of the university system to the life of the student. "It is a commonplace in India," he concluded, "that the university student has very bad health because the conditions under which he works are not good. I wonder if the proportion of young students using spectacles in India is not greater than anywhere else. The food also, in our hostels, is not very good." Mr. Anath Nath Bose of the Vishva-bharati, said that it was a sad confession for Indians to make that a degree at an Indian university had not the same economic value as a British university degree. "I cannot believe," said Mr. Bose, "that a man cannot get as good an education from 2 years at an Indian University as he could from two years at an English university." The training of Indian lawyers in Great Britain was deplored by Mr. M. V. Gangadharan. He said that he failed to see that an English trained lawyer should be more effective in India than one trained in India. "I look forward to the day, when an Indian student will be an object of curiosity in the common room of the Inns of Courts," said Mr. Gangadharan. Another student said that while in Germany, Indian engineering students were encouraged to enter the factories there, they were discouraged from entering those in this country. In the few English factories to which they were admitted the premium demanded were so high that very few Indian engineering students could afford to pay them—quite apart from the fact that living in England was much more expensive than in Germany.

THE REALIST.

It was left to a Bengali student to say that an English degree was of little value in present India. The day had gone when an Indian with an English degree could go back to India with an assured prospect of entering one of the big imperial services there! "Many of his own friends," continued the speaker, "possessing such degrees had failed to secure any good post in India, and those who had obtained posts had been compelled to start on the same scale as graduates from Calcutta University." The speaker, referring to complaints of unfair treatment suffered by young Indian students in this country, said, that a young



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medical student, training at one of the big London hospitals, complained to him that when, with other students, he was waiting his turn to examine patients, he was constantly ignored by the lecturing surgeon. When he complained he was told that the patients disliked being touched by an Indian. That statement must have been untrue because there were at least 300 Indian doctors practising in this country and they were doing well. The main theme of the Conference was: "Why Are We in Session?" and the students are supposed to have answered the question after their four days' exploration which concluded with a gala dinner at the headquarters of the Indian Students' Central Association and a visit by some to the offices of the "Daily Mail."

ENGLISHWOMAN'S TRIBUTE TO GANDHI.

Here is a farewell message to Gandhi, optimised in verse by an Englishwoman of over 80 years on the day the Mahatma put his steps on the Bombay soil after his return from the Conference:—"Once in a thousand years doth shine, Such a refulgent soul as thine. Now, India needs thee but, once free, England has need of thee. Farewell! Thou canst not fail to fare Well, whom God guided everywhere. To palace, hut or prison-cell, God goes with thee. So fare thee well!"

Delhi Health And Baby Week.

(By Mail.)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 12.

After four strenuous days, the Delhi Health and Baby week 1932 has come to a close. It is impossible to estimate the lasting benefit that was derived by 3,000 to 4,000 women who were present on the Friday Day alone. These women enjoyed the day in the open air in the midst of interesting surroundings.—A.P.

CABLE ITEMS.

London.—Britain's export trade will be appreciably assisted by the reported decision of the French Government to remove from 18th January the sur-tax of 15 per cent. on British coaling coal of which Britain exports to France over a million tons every year.—Reuter's Special.

Warsaw.—The political trial of 11 Opposition Party Leaders, including the former Prime Minister charged with plotting forcibly to overthrow the present regime has ended in all except one being found guilty and sentenced to imprisonment ranging from 18 months to three years.—Reuter's Special.

London.—Apprehensions with regard to the news of unrest and ruthless repression received by the Society from Liberia were expressed by Lord Lytton heading the deputation of the Anti-Slavery and Aborigine Protection Society, which yesterday waited on Sir John Simon who entirely concurred with the uneasiness felt by the Society and promised deputation that Government would assist to the best of their power in the deliberations of the Committee which the Council of League of Nations had established to deal with this question.—Reuter's Special.

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May	6.80
July	6.97
October	7.21
December	7.34

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.	
New Orleans, Jan. 13.	
(To-day's Closing)	
January	6.51
March	6.60
Middling Spot	6.51
New York 10-45 a.m. (As known in Liverpool at closing time):	
March	6.53
May	6.70
July	6.87

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS.	
New York, Jan. 13.	
Bales.	

Day's Receipts at all U.S. Ports	49,000
Day's Exports to Great Britain	NIL
Day's Exports to the Continent	8,000

LONDON SILVER.	
London, Jan. 13.	
Silver: Market is very quiet.	
(To-day's Closing)	
Spot	19-13/16
Forward	19-7/8

GOLD.	
London, Jan. 13.	
Bar Gold, Fine per Oz. £6-0-9.	

LONDON DISCOUNT RATES.	
London, Jan. 13.	
3 Months	5-3/4 per cent.
6 Months	5-7/8 per cent.
12 Months	6-1/4 per cent.
6 Months	6-7/8 per cent.

LONDON EXCHANGE.	
London, Jan. 13.	
T.T. London on Berlin	14.40
T.T. London on Amsterdam	8.50-1/2
T.T. London on Brussels	24.57
T.T. London on Madrid	40.45
T.T. London on Milan	67.46
T.T. London on Bern	17.50
T.T. London on Paris	87.00
T.T. London on Prague	115.00
T.T. London on New York	
(Closing rate)	3.40-7/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.	
London, Jan. 13.	
Chartered Bank of India, A. and China	111
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Register)	1100-112
P. & O. Banking Corporation	110
Pending Loan 4 per cent. £86-1/2	
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 per cent. £75-7/8	
Indian Loan 5-1/2 per cent. £100	
Rupiah Paper 3-1/2 per cent. £38-1/2	
Nominal.	
Indian Stock Sterling Loan:—	
3-1/2 per cent. £55.	
4-1/2 per cent. £71.	
Consols 2-1/2 per cent. £55-1/4	
War Loan 5 per cent. £98-1/4	
Victory Bonds 4 per cent. £91-1/2	

LONDON METALS.	
London, Jan. 13.	
Copper, Braziers 550.	
Yellow Metal 545.	
Spelter, Hard Indian Brands	13-3/4
Corrugated Sheets, 24 gauge 19-1/8	
Tin, English Ingots 1145.	

NEW YORK DEMAND MILLS.	
New York, Jan. 13.	
Demand Mills	340.75

LONDON PRODUCE.	
London, Jan. 13.	
Cottonseed, Bombay, Hull ton.	
No offers.	
Castorseed, Bombay, Hull ton.	
£12/17/6, Jan/Feb. Sellers.	
Rapeseed, Toria (Hull Contn.)	
£12/2/6, Jan/Feb. Sellers.	

LINSEED.	
London, Jan. 13.	
Linseed, Calcutta (London) ton.	
£10/15/0, Jan/Feb. Sellers.	
Linseed, La Plata, c.i.f., Hull	
£8/12/6, Jan/Feb. Sellers.	
Linseed, Bombay, London, ton.	
£11/12/0, Jan/Feb. Sellers.	

WHEAT-BALTIM EXCHANGE.	
London, Jan. 13.	
Rozario Santa Fe, per 64lb Car-	
goes: 26 January Sellers.	
Barletta Russo, per 64lb. Car-	
goes: 26 Jan/Feb. Sellers.	
Wheat South Australian, Par-	
cels 273 Jan/Feb. Sellers.	
Wheat Choice White Karachi	
Parcels 33 1/2 May/June Nominal.	

LINSEED OIL.	
London, Jan. 13.	
Linseed Oil, naked, London cwt.	
36 Feb/Aug. Sellers.	
Linseed Oil, naked, London cwt.	
14/10-12 May/Aug. Buyers.	

Liverpool
Cotton.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.	
Liverpool, Jan. 13.	
To-day's To-day's	
Opening Closing	
January 1932 5.11 5.11	
February " 5.05 5.07	
March " 5.05 5.07	
April " 5.04 5.04	
May " 5.04 5.04	
June " 5.04 5.04	
August " 5.05 5.05	
September " 5.06 5.07	
October " 5.06 5.07	
November " 5.09 5.09	
December " 5.12 5.12	
January 1933 5.11 5.11	
Middling Spot 5.42	

EGYPTIAN COTTON.	
Liverpool, Jan. 13.	
(To-day's Closing)	
January	6.34
March	6.95
May	7.12
July	7.30
October	7.54
November	7.57
December	7.66
Sakellaris, F.G.P. Spot	7.20

INDIAN COTTON.	
Liverpool, Jan. 13.	
BROACH (Good Staple):—	
Fully Good	5.22
Fine	5.34
Superfine	5.46
COMRA:—	
Good	4.94
Fully Good	5.04
Fine	5.19
BENGAL:—	
Good	4.69
Fully Good	4.79
Fine	4.89
SCINDE:—	
Fully Good	4.79
Fine	4.89
Superfine	4.99

LONDON RUBBER.	
London, Jan. 13.	
Smoked Sheet Standard Ribbed	
lb. Spot 3-3/16 Sellers.	

JAVA SUGAR: LONDON MARKET.	
London, Jan. 13.	
Java Sugar, Fine White Dutch	
Standard, No. 2 C & F Calcutta:	
Jan/Mar. per cwt. 9.	
C & F Bombay Jan/Mar. per	
cwt. 9-10-12.	
C & F Karachi, Jan/Mar. per	
cwt. 9-10-12.	

COFFEE: N. YORK MARKET.	
New York, Jan. 13.	
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 Quality)	
Spot 7.	

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DAWDWIN MINE.	
During the month of December	
23,532 tons of ore were mined.	
24,400 tons of ore were milled in	
the Treatment Plant, producing	
19,170 tons of Lead Concentrates.	
10,799 tons of Lead-bearing ma-	
terial, including 999 tons of High	
Grade ore were smelted in the	
Blast Furnaces, producing 6,211	
tons Hard Lead for treatment in	
the Refinery.	
Refinery Products were: 5,880	
tons Refined Lead and 470,000	
ounces Refined Silver.	
Of Silver production 18,039 ounces	
were recovered from the	
treatment of Copper Matte.	
Experimental Zinc Plant produ-	
ced 4,120 tons Zinc Concentrate,	
assaying 8,800 ounces of Silver	
a 2 per cent. Lead, 52.2 per cent.	
Zinc.	

LITTLE CREAM ON SHORT SIDE OF COTTON	
Messrs. Thos. Smith and Co.,	
in their report dated 14th January	
state:—	
Prices were steady on trade	
buying and Wall Street "short"	
covering. Although we strictly	
adhere to our opinion expressed	
for some considerable time that	
the short side is extremely dan-	
gerous and we shall not be sur-	
prised to see cotton at 10 cents in	
the late spring; we prefer for the	
time being to take profits on	
part holdings in consequence of	
the resignation of the French Go-	
vernment and in the absence of	
any declaration of France's inten-	
tions over the reparations prob-	
lems. In spite of the large sup-	
plies in America we believe pri-	
ces have about discounted all	
known bearish factors and there	
is very little cream on the "short"	
side. We prefer purchases on	
any setbacks.	

THE SEEDS TRADERS ASSN.	
Bombay, Jan. 14.	
Castorseed Delivery Mar. Open-	
ing Rs. 35/3 Highest Rs. 36/3 Cos-	
tar Rs. 35/15	
Groundnut Seeds Delivery Feb.	
Opening Rs. 36/12 Highest Rs.	
38/5 Lowest Rs. 36/11 Closing	
Rs. 38/3.	

COTTON CABLE NEWS

Messrs. Drennan and Co., have received the following cables:—
Messrs. E. J. Schwabach Co., New York, cable:—
"Firmness in cotton market is due to stock market strength, smaller hedge sales, better trade demand. Proposed financial measure has improved sentiment but speculative demand is poor."

Messrs. Hornby, Hemelryk and Co., Liverpool, cable:—
"New York cables, slight improvement in dry goods, but market awaiting political developments."
Messrs. A. Norden and Co., New York, cable:—
"Government inflation program, me creating better feeling while no strong view cotton think bull possibility preponderates."
Messrs. Reynolds and Gibson of Liverpool cable:—
"Owing to distinctly more optimism in settlement of reparations in the immediate future naturally favour purchases particularly in American markets around present levels."

Messrs. Patel Brothers have received the following cables:—
9 a.m.—Gerside estimates:—U. S. A. Mills consumption during December at 435,000 bales. The average consumption per working day, 16,900 bales.
8-44 p.m.—New York market improved on continued strength of Securities stimulating fresh support and on covering.

AMERICAN COTTON STATISTICS	
Week ending 8th January 1932:—	
Brought into sight—This week	354; This season 10,462; Last season 10,429.
Receipts at U. S. Ports—This week 317; This season 6,948; Last season 7,051.	

EXPORTS FROM AMERICA.	
To Great Britain—This week 24; This season 621; Last season 792.	
To Continent—This week 99; This season 1,928; Last season 2,690.	

DELIVERIES TO SPINNERS.	
Great Britain (All kinds)—This week 66; This season 1,145; Last season 882.	
World's Spinners Takings of American Cotton—This week 256; This season 6,255; Last season 5,340.	

VISIBLE SUPPLY.	
Stocks at American Ports—This season 4,749; Last season 4,077.	
Stocks at American Interior Towns—This season 2,206; Last season 1,751.	
Stocks in Great Britain or Continent—This season 2,457; Last season 2,351.	
Total—This season 9,412; Last season 8,237.	
Difference on week—This season plus 90; Last season minus 58.	
Stocks of cotton in Great Britain (all kinds) This season 913; Last season 1,029.	

SAMPIN QUOTATIONS.	
Bombay, Jan. 14.	
January	130.60-0.60
April	135.50-0.70
July	141.20-0.20

PRODUCE ARRIVALS.	
Bombay, Jan. 14.	
Bales.	
Khandesh	450
Central India	2,501
Bursi/Nugger	862
Hyderabad-Gazranli	711
Barar	2,451
Dholera	991
N.W. Provinces	198
Rajputana	998
Sind-Punjab	2,337
Compto-Diarwar	27
Western-Northern	205
Tinnevely & Cambodia	51
Persians	61
Egyptians	142
Cotton	12,059
Wheat	13,425
Linseed	1,185
Rape, Rai & Mustardseds	77
Gingellyseds	4,554
Poppyseeds	257
Groundnuts	39,838
Castorseeds	3,942
Rice	8,765
Myrabollams	2,324
Cottonseeds	13,968
Gam	2,561
Joovar	2,460
Barley	335
Bajree	6,381
Coal	703
	427

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.	
Bombay, Jan. 14.	
F. P. Bales	1931-32 1930-31
Receipts to date	
13-1-32	6834000 7115000
Receipts Yesterday	
13-1-32	49000 16000
Exports to date	
13-1-32	4341000 4267000
Stock at Ports	
8-1-32	4749000 4077000
Gross Interior Town	
8-1-32	2306000 1751000
Stock Liverpool	
8-1-32	913000 1029000
Visible Supply	
8-1-32	9412000 8237000
Quantity in Sight	
8-1-32	104000 100000
Quantity out of Sight	
8-1-32	6255000 5340000

MONEY MARKET

EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Jan. 14.	
B. C. RATE	
T 1/8 1/32	
D 1/8 1/16	

LONDON.	
Banks Selling T T 1/8 3/32	
Jan.	
Banks Selling D D 1/8 1/8	
Banks Selling T T 1/8 1/16 Feb.	
Banks Buying T T 1/8 5/32	
Banks Buying D D 1/8 7/32	
Banks Buying 3 Mos 1/8 1/2	
Jan.	
Banks Buying 3 Mos 1/8 15/32	
Feb.	
Banks Buying 3 mos 1/8 7/16	

NEW YORK B.C. RATE.	
T T 3/4	
Banks Selling T T 3/4	
Banks Buying T T 3/4	

PARIS.	
Banks Selling D D 646	
Banks Buying D D 672	

AMSTERDAM.	
Banks Selling D D 63 5/8	

JAPAN.	
Banks Selling T T 144 nominal	

HONGKONG.	
Banks Selling D D 98 3/8	

SINGAPORE.	
Banks Selling D D 129 3/8	

SINGAPORE.	
Banks Selling D D 155 5/8	

CROSS RATE.	
New York/London 3.41 13th inst.	
Shanghai/London 1/11 5/16 14th inst.	
Japan/London 3/1 3/4 13th inst.	
London/Paris 87.00 13th inst.	
London/Berlin 24.50 13th inst.	
London/Switzerland 17.50 13th inst.	

LONDON/PAK.	
London/PAK 67.35 13th inst.	
London/Batavia 14.40 13th inst.	
London/Holland 8.50 13th inst.	
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—	
Quiet, Steady.	
Gold £6/1/4 12th inst. £6/0/9	
15th inst.	
Silver London Ready 19 15/16	
13th inst. 19 13/16 13th inst.	
Silver London Forward 20 12th inst.	
19 7/8 13th inst.	
Silver New York Ready 30 1/4	
12th inst. 30 1/8 13th inst.	
London Discounts 3 Mos 5 3/4	
p.c. 12th inst. 5 3/4 p.c. 13th inst.	
London Discounts 6 Mos. 5 7/8	
p.c. 12th inst. 5 7/8 p.c. 13th inst.	
Tone:—Steady.	
Imperial Bank Rate 7 per cent.	
Bank of England Rate 6 per cent.	
Money Call 4 1/2 per cent.	
3 Months 6 per cent.	
6 Months 5 1/2 per cent.	
Tone:—Steady.	

SHIPPING.	
ARRIVALS.	

January 14.	
S S Badarpur, Nelson, Rangoon.	
S S Mitro Maru, Miraguchi, Saigon.	
S S Tokiwa Maru, Itami, Kobe.	
S S Argensfels, Lambag, Marmagosa.	
S S Clan MacBride, Last, Liverpool.	
S S Grange Park, Jones, Marmagosa.	
S S Moldavia, Allish, London.	
S S Naldara, Harrison, London.	
S S Acquella, Desobbo, Genoa.	

DEPARTURE.	
January 15.	
S S Naldara, Harrison, Kobe.	

LOADING.	
January 14.	

Steamer City of Lahore for Liverpool.	
Steamer Rance for Calcutta.	
Steamer Rawalpindi for London.	
Steamer Varela for Bussrah.	
Steamer Clan MacBride for Marmagosa.	

DEPARTURE.	
	January, 15.
S S Nakdera,	Harrison. Kobe.

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Picketing In City Continues

ACTIVITIES EXTENDED TO MULTANI MARKET

Miss K. Natarajan Arrested While Picketing At Whiteaway's

SENTENCED TO 7½ MONTHS R. I.

A large army of men and women volunteers who were posted in front of foreign cloth shops in the City, on Thursday, were seen plying the Takli, The Mulji Jetha Market remained closed on account of the Hindu Holiday "Sankranti," but the other cloth markets and city-shops were open.

The "Takli" was conspicuous at Whiteaway's, Hornby Road, where two volunteers were picketing. A large crowd gathered and the police also came on the scene. Miss K. Natarajan, daughter of Mr. K. Natarajan, the well-known social reformer, who was also picketing the Whiteaway's shop was arrested by the Police, but her place was promptly filled by another woman volunteer.

MULTANI MARKET PICKETED. The picketing activities were extended to the Multani Market, where six women were engaged in vigorous picketing. The Mangaldas Market and other cloth markets were singled out for a good deal of attention.

A volunteer was seen picketing the Currency Office while the doors of the Bullion Vault at the Bullion Exchange Office, were also guarded.

"I did ask customers not to purchase foreign cloth, but only to buy Swadeshi cloth. I don't think it was wrong. I consider it the duty of every Indian." With this statement, Miss K. Natarajan defended her action of loitering in front of Messrs. Whiteaway Laidlaw and Co., when charged before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, under the Ordinance of Picketing on Thursday afternoon.

Miss Natarajan was arrested along with Pandu Nathu, a volunteer in front of Whiteaway Laidlaw's and were immediately placed before Mr. R. P. H. Dastur, Chief Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court. Questioned by the Court whether she pleaded guilty, Miss Natarajan replied, "I plead neither guilty nor not guilty."

Mr. J. R. T. Nunn, Salesman, Whiteaway Laidlaw & Co., then gave evidence for the prosecution. Magistrate: Did you dissuade and obstruct people from going into the shop?

Miss Natarajan: I did ask customers not to buy foreign cloth, but to buy only Swadeshi cloth. I don't think it was wrong. I consider it the duty of every Indian. Magistrate: I am not going to hear your speech at present.

Miss Natarajan in her statement admitted having told customers not to buy foreign cloth. She refused to sign the statement.

Pandu Nathu, the volunteer in his statement said, he only requested customers with folded hands not to buy foreign cloth.

The Magistrate sentenced Miss Natarajan as well as Pandu to six months' rigorous imprisonment.

and a fine of Rs. 50 each. In default of fine, six weeks' further imprisonment.

CITY PICKET JAILED

Obstructing Customers At Foreign Cloth Shop

"I hope the example of Kapadia will be followed by other people." With these remarks the Chief Presidency Magistrate commended the action of Jai Jehangir Kapadia, a Parsi, who pushed aside a picket in Fort and went inside a shop doing business in foreign cloth. Ramnath Ramani, a picket, was arrested on Wednesday picketing near A. R. Dias and Co., Fort. It was alleged that he obstructed one Jai Jehangir Kapadia, a Parsi, who was attempting to go inside the shop.

Jai Jehangir Kapadia in his evidence stated that when he attempted to go inside the shop, the accused obstructed his way. He therefore pushed aside the accused and went inside the shop. Magistrate:—I hope your example will be followed by other people.

ACCUSED GIVEN SLAPS? The accused denied having pushed aside Kapadia and said he requested Kapadia with folded hands not to go inside the shop when he (Kapadia) gave him several slaps.

The Magistrate, in the course of his judgment observed that the accused made statement regarding assault by Kapadia to enlist sympathy of other people. He sentenced the accused to six months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 50 or in default six weeks' further imprisonment.

6 Months For Selling "Congress Bulletins"

"I am a political prisoner and therefore the constable has no right to ask me to remove my shoes. I am a Parsi and therefore it has outraged my religious feelings." With these words Rustomji N. Elchidana, a Parsi, complained to the Chief Presidency Magistrate on Thursday when placed before him on the charge of selling "Congress Bulletins" on Wednesday evening. The Magistrate ordered the constable to restore the shoes to Elchidana.

A police constable who arrested the accused stating that the accused was selling "Congress Bulletins" in Bazaar Gate Street. He recovered 10 Gujarati and 14 English "Bulletins".

In his statement the accused pleaded guilty and said he thought it was his duty to sell Congress "Bulletins".

His worship sentenced the accused to six months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 50 or in default six weeks' further imprisonment.

NEW FRENCH CABINET.

M. Laval, Premier.

M. TARDIEU, MINISTER OF WAR.

LONDON, January 14.

Paris.—President Doumer having requested Mr. Laval to form a Cabinet, the New Cabinet has been formed with M. Laval as Premier and Minister for Foreign Affairs, and M. Tardieu as Minister for War.

There are no other changes from the old Cabinet except that M. Cathala becomes Minister of Interior and Fould, Minister for Agriculture.—Reuter.

Ex-Kaiser's Sister Dead.

(SPECIAL CABLE).

LONDON, Jan. 13. Frankfurt.—The death has occurred of ex-Queen Sophie of Greece, a sister of the ex-Kaiser.

4,000 MEN THROWN ON STREETS

Krupps Foundry Close Down Works

(SPECIAL CABLE).

LONDON, Jan. 13. Berlin.—Over 4,000 men have been dismissed as a result of the decision of the Friedrich-Alfred, the Steel Foundry, belonging to the Krupps at Essen, to close down their works owing to lack of orders. The Company hopes to reopen the works in February.

114 ARRESTS IN NAGPUR.

Heavy Sentences For Leaders.

NAGPUR, Jan. 13. Mr. Fazul Karim, City Magistrate, convicted and sentenced the first group of local Congressmen to-day. Mr. M. V. Abhyankar, President and Seth Poonamchand, Secretary of the Congress Committee were found guilty under Sections 117 I. P. C. and 17 (1) Criminal Law Amendment Act and sentenced to an aggregate term of three years' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 10,000. Dharmadikar and Dangre were sentenced to two years' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 300 and Bhagwandin was sentenced to two years' rigorous imprisonment.

LADIES FINED. Mrs. Vidyalaya Powar was fined Rs. 500 in default six weeks' simple imprisonment. Mrs. Patwardhan and Mrs. Gadgil were fined Rs. 200 each, in default six weeks' simple imprisonment. Seven persons were arrested last evening. The arrests till to-day, total 114.—A. P.

RAILWAY STRIKE ABANDONED

NAGPUR, Jan. 13. The plan of one-day strike on 4th February protesting against unemployment, retrenchment and wage-cut has now been definitely abandoned.—A. P.

CAWNPORE UNLAWFUL ASSOCIATIONS

CAWNPORE, Jan. 13. The Cawnpore District, Town and Tehsil Congress Committees, Sabha, Workers' and Peasants' Youth League, Naujawan Bharat Party, Kisan Sabha, Hindustani Seva Dal and Rashtriya Vidyalaya have been declared unlawful associations.—A. P.

CONGRESS OFFICE CLOSED DOWN BY POLICE

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 13. The Allahabad Police raided to-day the Town Congress Committee office and closed it down.—A. P.

MERCHANTS & OFFICIALS CONFER IN U. P.

Non-Official Committees Formed

ALLAHABAD, January 13. Meetings of merchants, business men, leading officials and Commissioners are reported to have been held in various important towns, including Gorakhpur, Fyzabad, Allahabad at which measures to combat Congress campaign was discussed and non-official committees were formed.—A. P.

U. P. LIBERALS AND REFORMERS.

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 14. The Committee of the U. P. Liberal Association with Mr. Chintamani in the Chair deplored the renewal of the Civil Disobedience campaign and impressed on Government that really effective remedy for the present situation was a speedy and liberal constitutional reform transferring control, both in respect of the Central and the Provinces to the accredited representatives of the people.—A. P.

BOAT CAPSIZES

20 Saved; 12 Missing

PATNA, January 13. A report from Barh State, that a boat conveying 32 passengers across the Ganges having collided with a steamer capsized. The loss of life is not known. 20 persons are said to have been rescued. Others are missing.—A. P.

Pabna Leader Jailed

PABNA, January 13. Sjt. Pares Chandra Roy, pleader, Secretary of the Congress Committee was sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment under provisions of the Emergency Powers Ordinance.

Two women arrested for violating order under section 144 Cr. P. C. have been discharged.—A. P.

19 WOMEN ARRESTED AT AHMEDABAD

Men's Procession Dispersed By Police

AHMEDABAD, January 13. In all nineteen women were arrested to-day in connection with the repeated defiance of the District Magistrate's order, banning meetings and processions organized in furtherance of the civil disobedience campaign. After the dispersal of the first procession another procession started to go to the river bed where Mrs. Maniben Zaveri, addressed the meeting which dispersed before the police arrived.

Later a men's procession started but it was dispersed by the police.—A. P.

Ahmedabad Boycott Resolution.

MINISTER CONFERS WITH CITY FATHERS.

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 14. Hon. Sir Rustom Vakil, Minister for Local-Self-Government who has arrived here is holding consultations with Mr. G. V. Malankar, President of the Municipality and some municipal councillors with regard to the resolution passed by the Municipality for boycott of British goods which the Collector has suspended.—A. P.

Warning Against Joining Processions And Meetings

AHMEDABAD, January 13. Leaflets under the signature of the District Magistrate have been distributed warning the public against taking part in processions and meetings, organized by the Congress in pursuance of the civil disobedience movement, which are unlawful and will be dispersed. Law-abiding citizens pursuing their avocations, assured of protection and safety but they are warned not to come in the way of maintaining law and order.—A. P.

Buildings Of Unlawful Associations Seized.

BENARES, January 13. Police to-day took possession of buildings of the Kashi Vidyalaya, Rashtriya Kumar Pathshala, Gandhi Ashram, Officers of the City and District and Bengali Congress Committees, and also the office of Mahabir Dal. All these associations have been declared unlawful by Government.—A. P.

COMMISSIONER MEETS BUSINESSMEN.

Salt Law Arrests In Benares. BENARES, Jan. 13. Ramsurat Maza, Vice-President of the Benares District Congress Committee, was arrested yesterday in a village.

Reports of arrests of 26 volunteers for disobeying salt laws have been received from villages in the Benares District.

An official report of a meeting at the Commissioner's Office of Benares of representatives of businessmen from the Districts of the division has been received. The Commissioner informed those present of the intention of Government to use every means to protect the legitimate business interests from interference and inconvenience due to picketing or boycott. Suggestions were made by several of those present and the sense of the meeting was that provided no action was likely to injure the interest of those protected, the assistance would be welcome.—A. P.

Students As Suspects In Robbery Case

RAJSHAH, Jan. 13. The Special Tribunal framed charges yesterday against Amalendu Bagchi, a law student, and Bijan Kumar Sen Gupta, a student of the local Technical School, under Sections 392 read with Section 397 (dacoity with deadly weapon) of the Indian Penal Code, and Sections of Indian Arms Act, in connection with mail robbery at Futla. The prosecution alleged recovery of arms from the accused after arrest. The accused pleaded not guilty.—A. P.

WHAT LED TO KASTURBA'S ARREST

"Carrying On Campaign Of No-Tax & Picketing"

SURAT, January 13. Details of the circumstances leading to the arrest of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi, Miss Maniben Zaveri and Miss Mithuben Patel are available, and it appears that Mrs. Gandhi accompanied by Miss Maniben and Miss Mithuben Patel came to Bardol on January 10, where Ishwarlal Amin, Dictator of Bardol Taluka, joined them. The party left Bardol by train, reaching Sydala village the same day at 5 p.m. and camped at the house of Morar Kanan of the village. It is stated that the party had arrived there in pursuance of a pre-arranged programme for carrying on intensive campaign of no-tax, picketing of liquor shops and general disobedience of laws.

Before the arrival of Mrs. Gandhi and party it is stated that a batch of female volunteers headed by Chandaben and Farnkoben both of Chikhli Taluka had been sent in advance to carry propaganda. After Mrs. Gandhi's arrival, Morar Kanan, the host of Mrs. Gandhi, collected "illagers at his house by blowing a horn and then a procession was formed and taken through the village. The procession returned to the starting place and converted itself into a meeting which was addressed by Ishwarlal Amin, Dictator of Bardol, Mrs. Gandhi, Miss Maniben Patel and Miss Mithuben Patel who exhorted the audience to carry on illegal activities such as no-tax, picketing, etc. On the conclusion of the meeting at 8 p.m. the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Khau Bahadur Ismail Desai, arrived on the scene with a police party and prior to making an arrest asked Mrs. Gandhi and party if they desired to disassociate themselves from Congress activities. On their refusal the Khan Bahadur arrested Mrs. Gandhi, her host and others as reported earlier under the Criminal Law Amendment Act 17 (1). Miss Patel was the host of the Seva Dal in the Surat District.—A. P.

"RED" LETTERS.

ALLEGED AUTHOR CONVICTED.

LAHORE, Jan. 13. Mr. Lewis, Additional District Magistrate, has sentenced Chummal, an employee of a shop under Section 388 I. P. C. for writing threatening letters to some local landlords, to one year's rigorous imprisonment.

The prosecution alleged that the accused wrote "Red" pamphlets on behalf of the Hindustani Socialist Republican Army to some landlords to the effect that the army wanted to take revenge against Government for the death of Bhagat Singh and needed money very badly and asked the landlords to place sums of money outside the Mori Gate underneath a certain tree, warning them that if they did not place the sums demanded they would be killed like the Seth of Karachi and their houses would be burnt.—A. P.

"Zemindar" Suspended

LAHORE, Jan. 13. Malik Ahmadayr Khan, editor of "Zemindar" was let off to-day on two sureties of Rs. 10,500. He has withdrawn his declaration as editor of the paper. Publication of the "Zemindar" has, therefore, been suspended for the time being.—A. P.

GLANCY COMMISSION

Kashmiri Pandits Declare Boycott. SRINAGAR, Jan. 13. Kashmiri Pandits have now formally declared boycott of Glancy Commission. The Kashmiri Hindu member will not probably resign.

The Glancy Commission held a public sitting on Friday and Saturday last and examined Buddhist and Christian representatives at Pechen and Shamboona, Jammu respectively. The Commission is leaving for Jammu to resume their work there. Police have commenced investigation into the theft of idols from the Hindu shrine in Badga Tehsil.—A. P.

SRINAGAR ISOLATED.

Communications Cut Off: Sequel To Heavy Snowfall.

SRINAGAR, Jan. 13. Heavy snow has fallen and electric, telephone and telegraph lines have been cut off, roads have been blocked and communication stopped since two days.

Damage has been done to property and several heavy clashes have been reported, but no loss of life has occurred.—A. P.

Imperial Bank Rate Reduced To 7 PER CENT. BOMBAY, Jan. 14. The Imperial Bank of India Rate of Interest on Demand Loans on Government Paper is reduced to seven per cent.—A. P.

FRONTIER VILLAGES FINED

Attempt To Revive Picketing In Peshawar

PESHAWAR, January 13. For holding meetings attended by volunteers in uniform, the villages of Kakki (Bannu) and Pal (Dera Ismail Khan) have been fined Rs. 500 each, under section 26-1 of Ordinance 13. The January collections of outstanding revenue in Peshawar Tehsil have reached Rs. 40,000. A Peshawar column visited Khalsa villages of Wadpuga, Fattu and Abdurrahima which are sending "Red Shirts" to Peshawar City for picketing. Some obstruction was offered there and revolutionary slogans raised. No arrests were made.

Yesterday an attempt was made for reviving picketing in Peshawar.—A. P.

MAKING FRONTIER VILLAGES SAFE FOR REFORMS.

Number Of Red Shirts Rounded Up.

PESHAWAR, Jan. 13. A Swabi Column arrested a number of Congress leaders in Lahore village. Four were arrested yesterday at Mardan and four at Katiang village. Hazara and Bannu are quiet. The Frontier Constabulary yesterday arrested 13 Red Shirts in the village Pal. A large number of Pal villagers visited Tank for picketing of whom 120 were arrested.

Reforms work is proceeding briskly. Preparation and printing of electoral rolls are being vigorously pushed through. It is expected that Council elections will be held at the beginning of April.—A. P.

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"Zemindar" Suspended

LAHORE, Jan. 13. Malik Ahmadayr Khan, editor of "Zemindar" was let off to-day on two sureties of Rs. 10,500. He has withdrawn his declaration as editor of the paper. Publication of the "Zemindar" has, therefore, been suspended for the time being.—A. P.

GLANCY COMMISSION

Kashmiri Pandits Declare Boycott.

SRINAGAR, Jan. 13. Kashmiri Pandits have now formally declared boycott of Glancy Commission. The Kashmiri Hindu member will not probably resign.

The Glancy Commission held a public sitting on Friday and Saturday last and examined Buddhist and Christian representatives at Pechen and Shamboona, Jammu respectively. The Commission is leaving for Jammu to resume their work there. Police have commenced investigation into the theft of idols from the Hindu shrine in Badga Tehsil.—A. P.

SRINAGAR ISOLATED.

Communications Cut Off: Sequel To Heavy Snowfall.

SRINAGAR, Jan. 13. Heavy snow has fallen and electric, telephone and telegraph lines have been cut off, roads have been blocked and communication stopped since two days.

Damage has been done to property and several heavy clashes have been reported, but no loss of life has occurred.—A. P.

GANDHI SEVA ASHRAM OCCUPIED

Sjt Harnand Arrested

POLICE PATROL BUSINESS AREA

NEW DELHI, Jan. 13. The police arrested to-day, Sjt. Harnand, Dictator in Narala village, twenty miles from Delhi, and took possession of the Gandhi Seva Ashram which was recently inaugurated by Dr. Ansari. Police guards are posted in all cloth markets, and the police in force are patrolling the business area in the city.

Pandit Indra, who was arrested to-day, has nominated Jnanendra Kumar to succeed him as Dictator.—A. P.

SEC. 144 IN HOWRAH

Pickets Jailed.

YOUTHS SENTENCED FOR DEFYING ORDER

CALCUTTA, January 13. Eight youths were sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment for holding a meeting in College Square in defiance of Police Commissioner's order. An up-country man was sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment for possessing red letters while another was sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 50 for trespassing into the office of an association declared unlawful by police. Section 144 Cr. P. C. banning demonstration and meetings was promulgated in Howrah to-day by beat of drum.

For picketing foreign cloth shops in Howrah five persons including two women were sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment while three others were sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment. For taking out a procession with Congress flag, violating police order, two were sentenced to three months' imprisonment and three to one month's rigorous imprisonment.

The Calcutta Gazette announces that provisions of the Emergency Powers Ordinance will come into force in the District of Darjeeling on January 14.—A. P.

272 CONGRESS AND ALLIED ORGANISATIONS

Declared Unlawful In Bengal

CALCUTTA, January 14. 272 Congress and allied Organizations in different districts of Bengal have been declared unlawful. Hundred of these are in Midnapore District which was the storm centre of last year's movement.—A. P.

SUSPECTS ARRESTED

MUMBAI, (Dacca), Jan. 13. Benay Bhushan Datta Gupta, alleged abductor in Dalhousie Square bomb case, arising out of the attempt on the life of Sir Charles Tegart, was arrested at Sir Charles Tegart, Swadeshi Bhushan Ghose, said to be wanted in Tihar bag dacoity case, and Harendra Chandra Das, a student, were arrested in the house of Kshirod Chandra Roy, a retired Engineer, at Sonarag. Police recovered three revolvers, some cartridges and daggers. Roy was also arrested but he was bailed out.—A. P.

Khadi Ashram Seized By Police

(From A Correspondent) KIRKODA, Jan. 11. The Khadi Ashram, Kirkoroda, started by Mr. D. N. Chaudhari, the Sub-Inspector of Police, at Nasik, and who resigned in the last civil disobedience movement, has been taken possession of by the Police under the recent ordinance.

have been blocked and communication stopped since two days. Damage has been done to property and several heavy clashes have been reported, but no loss of life has occurred.—A. P.